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## Elected Town Officers.

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**Moderator.**

Daniel F. Knowlton.

**Selectmen.**

Arthur C. Widger, Chairman.	Martin L. Quinn.
Fred C. Marsh.	

**Town Clerk.**

Milton D. Porter

**Treasurer.**

Benjamin O. Honors.

**Collector of Taxes.**

George T. Till.

**Auditors.**

Stuart P. Ellis, Chairman.	Harry E. Cahoon.
Nathaniel F. Bartlett.	

**Assessors.**

Edward A. Maxfield, Ch. and Sec'y.	.	Term expires 1908
Gilbert Delano	.	" " 1909
Oscar G. Poor	.	" " 1910

**School Committee.**

S. Perry Condgon, Chairman	.	Term expires 1908
Arthur W. Stubbs, Secretary	.	" " 1909
Dr. Howard K. Glidden	.	" " 1910

**Overseers of Poor.**

Joseph F. Crowell, Chairman . . .	Term expires 1910
Thomas B. P. Curtis . . .	" " 1908
Edmund Russell . . .	" " 1909

**Water Commissioners.**

William H. Bates . . .	Term expires 1908
Samuel M. Kehoe . . .	" " 1909
I. Irving Edgerly . . .	" " 1910

**Public Library Trustees.**

Frank F. Stanley, Chairman . . .	Term expires 1910
Elizabeth J. Hadley . . .	" " 1909
Frank E. Ingalls . . .	" " 1908

**Park Commissioners.**

Elias G. Hodgkins, Chairman . . .	Term expires 1908
Clarence B. Humphrey, Secretary . .	" " 1910
John J. Blaney . . .	" " 1909

**Board of Health.**

Dr. Frank B. Stratton, Chairman . . .	Term expires 1908
Jasper H. Stone . . .	" " 1909
George C. Webster . . .	" " 1910

**Surveyor of Highways.**

Michael J. Ryan.

**Constables.**

Richard G. Gilley	William H. Carroll.
	Robert Leslie.

**Sewer Commissioners.**

Aaron R. Bunting, Chariman . . .	Term expires 1910
Edward H. Curtis . . .	" " 1909
Henry B. Sprague . . .	" " 1908

**Tree Warden.**

George Newhall.

## Appointed Town Officers.

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### Town Accountant.

Charles G. Rowell.

### Town Counsel.

Parsons & Bowen.

### Librarian of Public Library.

Miss S. L. Honors.

### Assistant Librarians.

Raymond Till. Stanley Flagg.  
George Goodwin.

### Engineers of Fire Department.

George P. Cahoon. George H. Lampard.  
Frank L. Chapman.

### Forest Fire Wardens.

George P. Cahoon. George H. Lampard.  
Frank L. Chapman.

### Forest Warden.

George P. Cahoon.

### Regular Police.

Ulysses M. Corson, Chief.

Charles H. Dunlap. Henry C. Pedrick.  
Charles Connell. Joseph D. Spinney.  
Adelbert S. Hammond. Seth C. Kendrick.

### Keeper of Lockup.

Ulysses M. Corson.

**Constables.**

Ulysses M. Corson. Charles H. Dunlap,  
Charles Connell Joseph D. Spinney.  
Adelbert S. Hammond Seth C. Kendrick.  
Henry J. Pedrick.

**Superintendent of Cemetery.**

James P. M. S. Pitman.

**Superintendent of Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.**

Richard G. Gilley.

**Care of Monument Lot.**

Joseph W. Glass.

**Inspector of Animals, etc.**

Samuel A. Spaulding.

**Milk Inspector.**

Frank H. Bradford.

**Town Weigher.**

Enoch S. Eastman.

**Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.**

Fred H. Eastman. Oscar G. Poor.

**Sealer of Weights and Measures.**

Alfred G. Watts.

**Janitor of Town Hall.**

Eben S. Martin.

**Dog Officer.**

Richard G. Gilley.

**Truant Officer.**

Albert F. Frazier.

**Field Driver.**

Richard G. Gilley.

**Registrar of Voters.**

David W. Nesbett, (Dem.) resigned. James T. Lyons, (Dem.)  
Frank D. Thurston, unexpired term.

**Superintendent of Moth Work.**

George Newhall.

**Deputy Superintendent.**

David W. Nesbett.

**Fence Viewers.**

J. Watson Butcher, resigned. William J. Waters, resigned.  
Peleg Gardner.

**Clerk of Selectmen.**

C. G. Rowell.

**Clerk of the Overseers of the Poor.**

Mrs. L. E. Kendrick.

**Clerk of the Board of Health.**

W. R. Patton.

**Clerk of the Sewer Commissioners.**

George T. Till.

**Superintendent of Sewers**

Aaron R. Bunting.

**Inspector of Plumbing.**

Martin E. Nies.

**Special Police.**

Albert F. Frazier.	Lemuel W. Pickard.
Hazen Tyler.	George D. R. Durkee.
William R. Blaney.	Fred C. McNamara.
William D. Hutt.	Frank H. Bradford.
Patrick Cyran.	Richard G. Gilley.
J. P. M. S. Pitman.	Louis F. Amazeen.
Edwin G. Spaulding.	Frank Griffin.
Eben S. Martin.	John C. Thomas.
George R. Hussey.	Frank E. Powers.
Jos. W. Glass.	Horace W. Wardwell.
Charles Q. Lowd.	John H. Bryson.
Elias G. Hodgkins.	J. Frank Moore.
William C. McNamara.	John Doherty.
Berton A. Fogg.	George H. Reed.
James J. Farrell.	John A. Finnegan.

**ELECTION OFFICERS, MARCH 18, 1907.****Special Election Officer.**

James H. Moulton . . . . .	Democrat
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**Inspectors of Elections.**

Willis C. Paul . . . . .	Democrat
W. Herbert Webster . . . . .	Republican

**Deputy Inspectors of Elections.**

Abram G. Stone . . . . .	Democrat
Alfred G. Watts . . . . .	Republican

**Tellers.**

Frank V. Porter . . . . .	Republican
Lyndon B. Jeffers . . . . .	Republican
Francis S. Oliver . . . . .	Republican
Freeman A. Baker . . . . .	Republican
Robert B. Wardwell, Jr. . . . .	Republican
Alfred F. Pyne . . . . .	Republican

John T. McDermott	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Albert A. Stone	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Frank D. Thurston	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Daniel J. Kain	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
William A. Bergin	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
John A. Finnegan	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat

**ELECTION OFFICERS, NOV. 5, 1907.****Special Election Officer.**

James H. Moulton	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
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**Inspectors of Elections.**

Willis C. Paul	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Thomas Thumith	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican

**Deputy Inspectors of Elections.**

David W. Nesbett	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
William J. Waters	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican

**Tellers.**

Frank V. Porter	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Lyndon B. Jeffers	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Robert B. Wardell, Jr.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Freeman A. Baker	.	.	.	.	.	.	Republican
Albert A. Stone	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
Sidney M. Shattuck	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
John A. Finnegan	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat
George W. Harris	.	.	.	.	.	.	Democrat

## Schedule of Public Property.

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Town Hall and land . . . . .	\$23,000 00
Public Library . . . . .	5,000 00
Pine street building and land . . . . .	4,500 00
Soldiers' Monument . . . . .	3,000 00
Hay scales . . . . .	200 00
Portable safe . . . . .	100 00
Steel box . . . . .	10 00
Piano . . . . .	475 00
Standard weights and measures . . . . .	100 00
Treasurer's safe . . . . .	295 00
Town Clerk's safe . . . . .	75 00
Collector's safe . . . . .	50 00
Selectmen's office fixtures . . . . .	100 00
Morris land . . . . .	2,800 00
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	\$39,705 00

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### School Department.

Phillips School and land . . . . .	\$57,000 00
Redington Street School and land . . . . .	5,000 00
Beach School and land . . . . .	4,000 00
Essex Street School and land . . . . .	10,000 00
Farm School and land . . . . .	2,000 00
Land, Essex street, opp. Cemetery . . . . .	300 00
Chemical Laboratory . . . . .	1,900 00
Laboratory supplies . . . . .	700 00
School furniture . . . . .	5,000 00
School supplies . . . . .	1,000 00
Clarke School and land . . . . .	33,000 00
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	\$119,900 00

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**Cemetery Department.**

Receiving tomb . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Old tomb . . . . .	20 00
House . . . . .	500 00
Implements . . . . .	50 00
Land . . . . .	1,000 00
	—————
	\$3,570 00

**Police Department.**

Police station and fixtures . . . . .	\$3,200 00
Nine revolvers . . . . .	45 00
Fifty-five badges . . . . .	63 00
Ten handcuffs . . . . .	40 75
Ten twisters . . . . .	10 00
Ten billies . . . . .	10 00
Twenty helmets . . . . .	56 00
One gun . . . . .	20 00
Six belts and clubs . . . . .	7 50
Six lanterns . . . . .	3 00
Ten chairs . . . . .	20 00
One table . . . . .	3 00
One gas heater . . . . .	3 00
Six police belts . . . . .	7 50
One public statute . . . . .	4 25
Twenty-seven numbers for helmets . .	4 05
One stop watch . . . . .	7 00
Thirty-two dozen buttons . . . . .	19 00
	—————
	\$3,523 05

### Fire Department.

Engine house, new Ocean street . . .	\$6,750 00
Land and storage building . . .	1,500 00
Mountain Park hose house and land .	500 00
One steam fire engine . . . .	3,600 00
One hose wagon . . . .	500 00
One ladder truck with 193 feet of ladders . . . . .	400 00
Six coal baskets, 5 hydrant wrenches,	19 00
Two supply wagons . . . .	250 00
One army coat . . . .	2 50
Twenty-five alarm boxes . . . .	1,820 00
Stable tools . . . .	25 00
Fire-alarm bell, Town Hall . . .	800 00
Three fire-alarm strikers, one at Town Hall, one at Congregational Church, one at chemical house with bell . . . . .	1,425 00
One tape register . . . .	60 00
Four gongs . . . .	175 00
Six hand chemicals . . . .	120 00
One steam whistle . . . .	500 00
Eight horses . . . .	1,625 00
Two sets double harness . . . .	80 00
Three sets double harness . . . .	450 00
One single harness . . . .	50 00
One three-horse hitch . . . .	150 00
Eight horse blankets . . . .	40 00
One robe . . . .	3 00
Stable blanket . . . .	4 00
Furniture and bedding . . . .	75 00
Storage battery and switch board . .	800 00
Five play pipes . . . .	100 00
Twenty-four spanners . . . .	6 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$21,829 50</i>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$21,829 50</i>
Two wagon jacks . . . . .	6 50
Eight lanterns . . . . .	5 00
Thirty-one rubber coats . . . . .	92 00
Canvas life net, new . . . . .	25 00
Canvas life net, old . . . . .	5 00
Life sheet . . . . .	35 00
One shut-off nozzle . . . . .	15 00
One shut-off gate . . . . .	20 00
One plaster hook . . . . .	3 00
Thirty-two badges . . . . .	24 00
One repeater . . . . .	300 00
Two indicators . . . . .	225 00
Three iron bars . . . . .	10 00
One patent horse collar . . . . .	15 00
Old ladders . . . . .	20 00
Eighteen feet soft suction . . . . .	12 00
One heater for steamer . . . . .	25 00
One pump . . . . .	20 00
One hydrant pump . . . . .	6 00
Eighty-six hydrants . . . . .	2,150 00
One light wagon . . . . .	50 00
One hose pung . . . . .	95 00

**Chemical House, Phillips Beach.**

Chemical House and land . . . . .	8,400 00
One chemical engine . . . . .	2,225 00
Two hand chemicals . . . . .	50 00
One indicator . . . . .	90 00
One gong . . . . .	45 00
Two horses . . . . .	450 00
One set double harnesses . . . . .	90 00
One three-horse hitch . . . . .	150 00
Three horse blankets . . . . .	18 00
Furniture and bedding . . . . .	75 00

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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$36,581 00</i>
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$36,581 00
Hose reel and 600 feet hose, one play-pipe . . . . .	220 00
Supplies . . . . .	160 00
Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench and two spanners at John Palmer's stable, Humphrey street . . . . .	200 00
Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench and two spanners at Lynn & Boston Railway stables, Essex street, . . . . .	200 00
Hose reel and 400 feet hose, wrench, two spanners, one axe at Mountain Park Hose House, two ladders . . . . .	250 00
Hose reel and 400 feet hose, wrench, two spanners at Lincoln House . . . . .	250 00
Two hundred and fifty feet hose, wrench and two spanners at Evans & Cole's stable, Orient street . . . . .	125 00
Twenty-seven hundred feet cotton hose, rubber-lined, two and one-half inch . . . . .	1,350 00
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	\$39,336 00

### Highway Department.

Stone crusher plant . . . . .	\$4,300 00
Extra set grate bars for boilers . . . . .	15 00
Steam road roller . . . . .	3,250 00
Ring roller . . . . .	225 00
Storage building state road . . . . .	700 00
Storage building, New Ocean street, . . . . .	400 00
Land with same . . . . .	400 00
Gravel bank, Marblehead . . . . .	500 00
Climax road machine . . . . .	250 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$10,040 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$10,040 00</i>
Water cart . . . . .	200 00
Eight snow plows . . . . .	300 00
Two tool boxes . . . . .	10 00
Tool house, State road . . . . .	25 00
Single tip cart . . . . .	35 00
Two lead harnesses . . . . .	20 00
Three gravel screens . . . . .	15 00
One 26-foot extension ladder . . . . .	5 20
Two wheelbarrows . . . . .	4 00
Nine wooden horses . . . . .	25 00
One harrow . . . . .	10 00
Six street signs . . . . .	4 00
Two frost wedges . . . . .	4 00
One spade . . . . .	1 00
One edge trimmer . . . . .	50
One bush hook . . . . .	1 00
Two spirit levels . . . . .	2 00
Four oil cans . . . . .	2 00
One paving hammer . . . . .	2 00
One hundred and fifty feet of sewer rods . . . . .	45 00
Twelve street hoes . . . . .	5 00
Five iron rakes . . . . .	2 50
One wooden rake . . . . .	50
Two long handle spoons . . . . .	3 00
Five mattucks . . . . .	7 50
Two stone chains . . . . .	9 00
Three gravel tampers . . . . .	6 00
Seven crow bars . . . . .	9 00
Two stamp bars . . . . .	2 50
One block and tackle . . . . .	5 00
Two scythes . . . . .	2 00
Two bush scythes . . . . .	2 00
Two snaths . . . . .	2 00

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*Amount carried forward,*      *\$10,806 70*

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$10,806 70</i>
Three galvanized iron buckets . . . . .	1 50
One steel paving rammer . . . . .	3 00
Fifteen square pointed shovels . . . . .	15 00
Twenty-four round pointed shovels . . . . .	24 00
Nine long handle shovels . . . . .	9 00
Five scoop shovels . . . . .	6 00
Three stone forks . . . . .	6 00
Two street brooms . . . . .	1 00
Eight sand buckets . . . . .	1 00
Seven sand trowels . . . . .	70
One screw driver . . . . .	50
Twenty-five feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch rubber hose . . . . .	2 50
Twenty-six lanterns . . . . .	12 00
One No. 3 Edson pump two-length hose . . . . .	55 00
One Stillson wrench, 18-inch . . . . .	2 00
One cross-cut saw . . . . .	2 00
One hand saw . . . . .	1 00
Two axes . . . . .	2 00
Six stone hammers . . . . .	12 00
Two hand hammers . . . . .	1 00
One trowel . . . . .	50
One claw hammer . . . . .	50
Eighteen pick handles . . . . .	2 50
Thirty-six picks . . . . .	36 00
Twelve hand drills . . . . .	3 00
Sixteen stone points . . . . .	2 50
Two hand sets . . . . .	2 50
Two cant hooks . . . . .	1 50
Ten lbs. shims and wedges . . . . .	1 50
Two pairs iron tongs . . . . .	2 00
One fork wrench . . . . .	2 00
Thirty snow shovels . . . . .	17 50
One branding iron . . . . .	1 50
 <i>Amount carried forward,</i>	 <i>\$11,037 40</i>

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$11,037 40
One stensil . . . . .	1 00
Three monkey wrenches . . .	3 00
One horse buggy harness, single sleigh street blanket . . . .	250 00
Supplies for crusher and roller .	50 00
One catch basin top (Concord) 20- inch . . . . .	10 00
One hundred and forty-eight feet of straight curb stone (.75) . . .	111 00
Twenty-eight gallons graphite paint (.85) . . . . .	23 80
Twenty-five hundred tons crush stone	2,500 00
One hundred and fifty loads sand stored in sand shed . . . .	150 00
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	\$14,185 70

**Street Watering Department.**

Three water carts . . . . .	\$750 00
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**Assessors' Department.**

Plans and maps . . . . .	\$3,000 00
Safe . . . . .	90 00
Desk . . . . .	25 00
Table . . . . .	25 00
Chairs . . . . .	51 00
Cabinet and cards . . . .	55 00
	—————
	\$3,246 00

**Health Department.**

Twenty-one generators . . . . .	No value
One wheelbarrow . . . . .	\$2 00
One dory . . . . .	15 00
One pair oars . . . . .	1 00
Two lanterns . . . . .	1 50
Four rakes . . . . .	1 20
Three forks . . . . .	1 35
One trowel . . . . .	1 00
Two garbage pails . . . . .	2 50
Two garbage barrels . . . . .	6 00
Contagious Hospital . . . . .	2,032 00
Household goods . . . . .	170 00
Carriage . . . . .	50 00
Carriage shed . . . . .	84 00
Office furniture (Town Hall) . . . . .	141 00
Flash light . . . . .	3 00
Atlas . . . . .	25 00
Safe . . . . .	65 00
Letter press . . . . .	10 00
	\$2,611 55

**Park Department.****Blaney Beach Reservation.**

Land, about 98,500 square feet . . . . .	\$29,550 00
Fish House . . . . .	4,800 00
Band Stand . . . . .	480 00
Three Shelters . . . . .	144 00
Gasoline Tank . . . . .	30 00
Office furniture and fixtures . . . . .	25 00
	\$35,029 00

*Amount carried forward,*

\$35,029 00

*Amount brought forward,* \$35,029 00

Monument Avenue Reservation.

Land, about 52,000 square feet . . . 13,000 00

Paradise Road Playground.

Land, about 91,600 square feet . . . 10,192 00

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\$58,221 00

**Sewer Department**

Pumping station . . . . .	\$7,162 64
Pumping plant . . . . .	10,000 00
Land at station . . . . .	1,144 63
Office furniture and fixtures . . . . .	278 32
Material on hand, equipment, tools, etc . . . . .	912 49
	—————
	\$19,498 08

**Water Department.**

Water mains and stand-pipe . . . . .	\$140,000 00
Forty-eight thousand feet of land on Pine street . . . . .	5,000 00
Twenty thousand feet of land west of Stacey's brook . . . . .	1,000 00
Ten acres of land, Thompson's meadow, Salem . . . . .	1,000 00
Brick building, Pine street . . . . .	5,000 00
Storage house, Pine street . . . . .	1,300 00
Stock at storage house, inventory January 1, 1908 . . . . .	2,019 56
Horse and wagons . . . . .	250 00
Office furniture . . . . .	200 00
Eight hundred and ninety-two meters	7,678 85
	—————
	\$163,448 41

**Gypsy Moth Department.**

Tools of Moth Department of Town of Swampscott January 1, 1908.

One large hand force pump . . . . .	\$35 00
Two small force pumps . . . . .	5 00
Three hundred feet of good hose, one-half inch . . . . .	33 00
Four spray poles and nozzles . . . . .	6 00
One 40-foot extension ladder . . . . .	12 00
One cross-cut saw . . . . .	2 00
One large hand saw . . . . .	1 75
Four chopping axes . . . . .	3 00
Twelve bush axes . . . . .	6 55
Five bush scythes . . . . .	7 50
Eight trimmers . . . . .	6 00
Eight small mirrors . . . . .	80
Six tree knives . . . . .	1 50
One pair of opera glasses . . . . .	5 00
Four forks . . . . .	1 25
One grindstone . . . . .	2 75
One pail and dipper . . . . .	50
Three pair Clyde shears . . . . .	7 50
Two iron faucets . . . . .	50
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	\$137 60

[Jan. 31]

## **Summary.**

Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$39,705	00
School	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	119,900	00
Cemetery	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,570	00
Police	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,523	05
Fire	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39,336	00
Highway	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14,886	20
Assessors	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,246	00
Health	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,611	55
Sewer	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19,498	08
Park	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	58,221	00
Gypsy Moth	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	137	60
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	163,448	41
								\$468,082	89

## Records of the Town Clerk.

## **Annual Town Meeting, March 18th, 1907.**

## TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the eighteenth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE I. To choose a temporary Moderator to serve until the Moderator elected on the official ballot qualifies.

## ART. 2. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

ART. 3. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors  
for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

- To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.
- To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.
- To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.
- To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.
- To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.
- To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.
- To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.
- To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.
- To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Water Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Sewer Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Tree Warden for the year ensuing.  
All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 4. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?

ART. 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Water Commissioners, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc.; the Park Commissioners, the Sewer Commissioners, the Tree Warden, the Board of Assessors, and the Overseers of the Poor.

ART. 6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors, as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 10. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R., toward defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 13. To see what rate of interest the Town will charge on taxes not paid before November 1, of the year in which they are assessed.

ART. 14. To see what action the Town will take in determining how money shall be raised to pay for permanent improvements.

ART. 15. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Water Commissioners the present year.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to pay the claim of Amos O. Cahoon, as authorized by the Act of the Legislature of 1906, and appropriated money for the same, as petitioned for by Amos O. Cahoon and others.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will appeal or amend Chapter I, Section 4; Chapter II, Section 5; Chapter III, Sections 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11; Chapter IV; Chapter V; and Chapter VI, Sections 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 17, of the new By-Laws, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will locate a fire alarm box near the junction of Walker and Outlook Roads, or at some point which the chief of the Fire Department may elect, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by W. W. Bemis and others.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will locate a fire alarm box at the junction of Beach and Mountain avenues, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by C. S. Haskell and others.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will install a Fire Alarm Signal in the Tower at the Engine House, Phillips, Beach, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by George Barker and others.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to do anything in relation to the Stacy brook Outlet, as requestd by the Selectmen.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in that portion of Orient court which has been accepted as a Town Way, as petitioned for by Stuart P. Ellis and others.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five members, to bring in a list of salaries for Town Officials for the ensuing year, as petitioned for by Edwin G. Spaulding and others.

ART. 24. To see what action the Town will take to the end that the streets be watered by contract, as petitioned for by Oscar G. Poor and others.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to put the Police Force under the provisions of the Civil Service Laws as provided in Chapter XIX, Section 37, of the Revised Laws, of Massachusetts, and accept the provisions of said Section 37 of Chapter XIX of the Revised Laws, in so far as they relate to the Police Force, as petitioned for by P. F. Munsey and others.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) for the improvement of Redington street extension, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by James L. Taylor and others.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will macadamize Atlantic avenue from Humphrey street to Marblehead line, and appropriate forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500) for the same, as petitioned for by F. H. Gage and others.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be expended in grading and repairing Essex street, as petitioned for by William R. Patten and others.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will increase the salary of the Surveyor of Highways, five dollars (\$5) per week, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William F. Gannon and others.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will vote to increase the rate of wages now paid all town laborers, by twenty-five cents (\$.25) per day, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by William F. Gannon and others.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to regrade the lines on that portion of Burrill street north of Maple avenue to Columbia avenue, a distance of about three hundred (300) feet, to allow the water flowing down Burrill street from Essex to pass by Maple avenue, as petitioned for by Oscar G. Poor and others.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to issue the remaining ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in bonds, allowed by law at such times as in their judgment the needs of the Department demand it, as petitioned for by William H. Bates and others.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) for heat, light and repairs on the Pine Street School building, said building being under the care and occupied by the General Bates Post 118, G. A. R., as petitioned for by John R. Merritt and others.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will accept a portion of Orient street as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will grant a Saturday half holiday with pay to the employees of the Highway, Sewer, Water, and Health Departments, during the months of June, July, August and September, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for moth work, as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ART. 37. To appoint a Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with Chapter V, Section 1, of the revised By-Laws.

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourth day of March, in the year nineteen hundred and seven.

ALLEN H. COLE,  
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
JOHN R. MERRITT,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant:**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, depots, post offices and twenty-five other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Friday, the eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and seven, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable of Swampscott.*

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M. by the Town Clerk. Daniel F. Knowlton was elected temporary Moderator. The following were qualified by the Clerk to act as election officers: Special, James H. Moulton; Ballot Clerks, W. Herbert Webster, (Rep.), and Willis C. Paul (Dem.); Tellers, Frank V. Porter, Lyndon B. Jeffers, Francis S. Oliver, Freeman A. Baker, R. B. Wardwell, Jr., Alfred F. Pyne (Reps.); John T. McDermott, Albert A. Stone, Frank D. Thurston, Daniel J. Kain, William P. Bergen and John A. Finnegan (Dems.)

The polls closed at 5.57 P. M., 943 general and six special ballots having been cast.

At 6.58 P. M., the vote was declared as follows:

For Selectmen—James F. Caton, 427; Charles T. Jackson, 97; Fred C. Marsh, 477, elected; John R. Merritt, 403, Martin L. Quinn, 444, elected; Arthur C. Widger, 619, elected; blanks, 371.

For Town Clerk—Milton D. Porter, 774, elected; blanks, 169.

For Treasurer—Benjamin O. Honors, 768, elected; blanks, 175.

For Collector of Taxes—William H. Otis, 215; George T. Till, 661, elected; blanks, 67.

For Assessor for Three Years—Isaac H. Andrews, 420; Oscar G. Poor, 463, elected; blanks, 60.

For School Committee for Three Years—Sidney E. Bailey, 391; Howard K. Glidden, 429, elected; blanks, 129.

For Sewer Commissioner for Three Years—Aaron R. Bunting, 724, elected; blanks, 219.

For Park Commissioner for Three Years—Clarence B. Humphrey, 642, elected; blanks, 301.

For Water Commissioner for Three Years—Charles A. Blanchard, 108; L. Frank Cahoon, 200; A. Wesley Clough, 126; I. Irving Edgerly, 473, elected; blanks, 36.

For Board of Health for Three Years—Michael Haley, 285; George C. Webster, 612, elected; blanks, 46.

For Overseer of Poor for Three Years—Joseph F. Crowell, 709, elected; blanks, 234.

For Trustee of Public Library for Three Years—Frank F. Stanley, 670, elected; blanks, 273.

For Surveyor of Highways—Michael J. Ryan, 719, elected; blanks, 224.

For Auditors—Nathaniel F. Bartlett, 643, elected; Harry E. Cahoon, 633, elected; Stuart P. Ellis, 616, elected; blanks, 937.

For Tree Warden—George Newhall, 639, elected; David W. Nisbett, 248; scattering, 1; blanks, 55.

For Constables—William H. Carroll, 470, elected; Richard G. Gilley, 602, elected; Robert Leslie, 29, elected; scattering, 50; blanks, 1,678.

For Moderator—Daniel F. Knowlton, 680, elected; scattering, 1; blanks, 262.

License Question—No, 674; yes, 148; blanks, 121.

At 7.03 P. M., adjourned to to-morrow, Tuesday evening, at 7.30 o'clock.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER.

*Town Clerk.*

**Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 19, 1907.**

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the Moderator.  
Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

ARTICLE 9 taken up. It was unanimously voted, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to, and for the use of the Town, in anticipation of the taxes of the present year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate not to exceed \$75,000, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made and any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town, under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present year.

ART. 5. Voted, On motion of W. A. Stubbs, that all reports in the 55th Annual Report of the Town be accepted, and those containing no recommendations be adopted, except the last clause in the Board of Health Report commencing with the word "owing"; those containing a recommendation be taken up for action.

Voted, That the recommendations of the Selectmen on page 105 of their report referring to improvement on Orient street be taken up with Art. 34.

W. W. Seymour, H. C. Bulfinch, James T. Lyons, Robert B. Wardwell, George A. Heath and John B. Earp were appointed a Committee to bring in names for a Finance Committee of ten, to report upon the Town business referred to them.

Voted, That the Selectmen's report referring to the Cemetery, on page 104 — that referring to sidewalks, — also all recommendations in the reports of Departments calling for expenditures of money, be referred to the Finance Committee.

Voted, To lay Art. 6 upon the table.

ART. 7. The following were accepted as a list of Jurors:

Ashton, Herman F.	Heath, George A.
Bain, Wellesley W.	Hodgkins, Elias G.
Beckett, Daniel C.	Hutt, William D.
Blanchard, Horace W.	Iverson, William E.
Brackett, Samuel G.	Jackson, Charles T.
Buckley, Charles H.	Jeffers, Charles P.
Burgess, Charles V.	Johnson, Frank E.
Butcher, J. Watson	Knowlton, Daniel F.
Cahoon, L. Herbert	Kendrick, Seth C.
Call, Edward E.	Keefe, John F.
Caton, James F.	Larkin, Arthur W.
Chase, Charles A.	Melzard, George T.
Clay, George F.	Melzard, Ralph
Clough, A. Wesley	Melzard, Richard E.
Conner, George M.	Nies, Martin
Daniels, Frank W.	Nisbett, David W.
Delano, Gilbert	Nisbett, J. E. O.
Douglass, Henry E.	Phippen, Charles H.
Douglass, Rodney A.	Phillips, James E.
Drew, John G.	Rich, Benjamin F.
Edgerly, I. Irving	Russell, Edmund
Ellis, Frank O.	Spaulding, Edwin G.
Finney, Winslow	Taylor, James L.
Galeucia, Nathaniel	Whitcomb, Otis A.
Hardy, Elmer A.	Wiley, Edwin F.
Haskell, Charles H.	Widger, James H.

ART. 8. Voted, That the Town Treasurer's bond be \$15,000.

ART. 10. Voted, That the Collector's bond be \$10,000.

ART. 11. Voted, To allow a discount of two per cent. on all taxes paid on or before Oct. 1 of the present year.

Voted, To refer Articles 12 and 14 to the Finance Committee.

Voted, To lay Article 13 upon the table.

ART. 15. Voted, That the bonds of the Water Commissioners be same as last year.

Voted, That Articles 16, 18, 19, 20 be referred to the Finance Committee.

Voted, To indefinitely postpone Art. 17.

Voted, To refer Art. 21 to the Selectmen, to report at adjourned meeting.

Voted, To refer Art. 22 to the Sewer Commissioners to report thereon at adjourned meeting.

ART. 23. Voted, That the Moderator appoint a committee of five to bring in a list of salaries for town officials for the present year.

Voted, That Articles 24 and 25 be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, To refer Articles 26, 27 and 28 to the Finance Committee.

Voted, That Articles 29 and 30 be referred to the Committee on Salaries.

ART. 31. Voted, To refer this article to the Selectmen and Highway Surveyor, to report at adjourned meeting.

ART. 32. Voted to refer this Article to the Water Commissioners, they to bring in to the adjourned meeting a definite statement of the needs of their department for the present year.

ARTS. 33, 34 and 36 were referred to the Finance Committee.

ART. 35 was referred to the Salary Committee.

ART. 37, Voted that the Moderator appoint the Committee on Ways and Means, in accordance with the By-Laws.

Voted, That the portion of the Fire Engineer's report relating to pay of the permanent men be referred to the Committee on Salaries. At 8.56 P. M., a recess of 15 minutes was voted to enable the Committee to name the Finance Committee.

At 9.20 P. M. the committee reported the following, which was adopted: Benjamin G. Ingalls, H. C. Bulfinch, William W. Seymour, Allen H. Cole, Frank H. Gage, Frank L. Homann, J. Henry Welch, John J. Blaney, the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, Mr. Ingalls having declined to serve, Mr. John Albree was chosen in his stead.

The Moderator here named the following as the Committee on Salaries: Allen H. Cole, Willis E. Doughty, Alfred F. Frazier, Herman F. Ashton and Joseph M. Bassett.

Voted, That the Salary Committee report to the Finance Committee, two weeks from this date.

Voted, At 9.45 P. M., to adjourn to Monday, April 15, 1907, at 7.45 P. M.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 15, 1907.**

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M., by the Moderator.

Records of last meeting read and declared approved.

Mr. John Albree, Chairman of the Finance Committee appointed at the previous meeting prefaced the reading of the Committee's report with some pertinent remarks and figures relating to the finances of the town, after which the following report was read and accepted :

**Report of the Finance Committee.**

The Vote of the Town, March 19th was that the Committee on Finance consider and report "at an adjourned meeting on all matters and recommendations of the several departments and all articles of the warrant calling for the expenditure of money."

If the work assigned this committee had been free from the embarrassing and complicating problems which had accumulated during a series of years, it would have been a comparatively simple matter to make a report satisfactory alike to ourselves and to the Town. But these problems presented themselves at the outset, and remained with us during our investigations and they must be passed on to the future. These problems, phrase them as we will, revolve around that short word of sinister meaning, debt. How shall the debts due this year be paid? How shall the present needs of the Town be met without adding to the accumulated debt already existing?

There are certain items for which appropriations must be made but from which it is not practicable to deduct a dollar, for these amounts are fixed so far as a reduction is concerned while they are liable to be increased. And these irreducible appropriations amount to \$80,600 which amount is almost exactly the same as the total tax for all purposes raised by the Town of Swampscott in 1902, five years ago, and now this amount suffices only for what may be termed the fixed charges and we still have to provide for schools, highways and the general expenses of the town many thousands more.

These irreducible amounts calling for appropriations are:

State tax . . . . .	\$16,000
County tax . . . . .	12,000
Interest on notes . . . . .	6,500
Interest on sewer bonds . . . . .	7,500
Payment of sewer bonds . . . . .	4,600
Gypsy moth work . . . . .	2,000
Notes due in 1907 . . . . .	22,000
Street lighting . . . . .	10,000
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	\$80,600

In addition to this irreducible amount there is now required \$81,100 more:—

Schools . . . . .	\$32,000
Highways and all items connected therewith . . . . .	18,550
Police and Fire Departments and items connected therewith . . . . .	15,850
Selectmen's Department . . . . .	4,500
Board of Health . . . . .	4,000
Assessors Department . . . . .	1,300
Poor Department . . . . .	2,500
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	2,400
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	\$81,100

and to this amount there must be added sundry lesser items of several thousand dollars more.

#### Why Not Cut Appropriations.

The first thought is that appropriations must be cut and that the Town must be compelled to live within the amounts so reduced. The action of the Town twelve months ago has a bearing on this, for then appropriations were reduced below the estimates and we have the results presented to us in the Town

Report of this year. The estimates submitted to the Town a year ago ask for \$142,000. These amounts were changed by additions of \$4,000 and deductions of \$14,000 so that the net deduction was \$10,000.

But in December last the Town was called upon to appropriate to make good deficits in the spring appropriations \$10,650. The result of the business of the Town for 1906-7 as shown by the table on page 275 of the report was an addition to the amount of notes payable of \$16,000. At the same time there was a reduction in the bonded debt of \$4,600, so that the net increase in the Town debt for the year was \$11,400. Of this amount \$11,000 is for one note, a temporary loan, dated December 20, 1906, for five months and due June 20, 1907. This should have been included in and paid in the last year's business, but as it now stands it is charging this year's business with \$11,000 of last year's running expenses.

This general situation has been constantly in the minds of the committee and as a result a plan is now proposed that it is believed will result in a reduction both in the notes payable and in the total debt of the Town because there will be paid both notes and bonds.

There are due this year and therefore must be paid \$22,000 in notes, namely :

Proctor Lot Loan . . . . .	\$3,000
Town Park Loan . . . . .	2,500
Permanent Improvement Loans . . . . .	5,500
Temporary Loan Dec. last . . . . .	11,000
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	\$22,000

and there will also be due and payable \$4,600 of sewer bonds, thus making a total payment on the Town debt of \$26,600.

There are expenditures for which appropriations are herein recommended which are not in the nature of running expenses but which are for improvements covering a series of years and which come, therefore, under the general head of permanent improvements. We have, therefore, decided to recommend that

a loan of \$20,000 for permanent improvements be obtained. This will permit the reduction in the Town debt, will keep the tax rate down, and if the departments keep within the allotted amounts and no unexpected or expensive event happens, we shall as a Town be in better condition a year hence than now.

To re-state the case we will pay this year \$26,600 to reduce the Town's debt. We shall borrow \$20,000 which is \$6,600 less than we pay so that the debt will be reduced by that amount.

In making a recommendation that \$20,000 be borrowed, it is to be understood that approval is not expressed of what has at times been urged upon and adopted by the Town as a policy, namely, borrowing money by means of a permanent loan for what is purely and simply a running and current expense which should have been paid out of the tax levy of the year. It is not necessary to specify particular instances. These can be found on an examination of the Town Reports.

The purpose of mentioning this phase of the Town's finances at this time is to call attention of the voters to the peril that attends a course of borrowing money for the payment of bills which bear to the general finances of the Town the same relation that rent or grocery bills do to the finances of an individual.

But we find the money has been borrowed, the notes given and arrangements must be made for their payment.

The attention of the Town should be called to errors on page 273 of the report, for if a committee of the Town is assigned work that depends upon facts and figures as given in the Town Report, such committee ought not to be expected to correct work that properly belongs to the compilers of the report.

The item "note due in 1916 \$14,800" should be \$12,000. In the item of notes "due yearly 1915 to 1924" it should be stated that in 1918 there are two notes due, not one only as it now reads. The item of "note due in 1924 \$6,500" should be \$9,300.

The errors in the Auditor's Report for February, 1906 on pages 217, 218 and 219 which result in three different footings for the notes payable of the Town, have been corrected, except as above, in the report for the present year.

It would have been a great aid to the committee if there had been given in the report a recapitulation showing the appropriations, receipts, expenditures, balances or over-drafts in each account. We recommend that such be included in the report for next year.

The following amounts are required either by law or by existing contracts and we therefore recommend that they be appropriated :

State Tax . . . . .	\$16,000
County Tax . . . . .	12,000
Interest on Town Notes . . . . .	6,500
Interest on Sewer Bonds . . . . .	7,500
Payment of Sewer Bonds . . . . .	4,600
Gypsy Moth Work, Art. 36 . . . . .	2,000
Notes due in 1907 . . . . .	22,000
Street Lighting . . . . .	10,000
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	\$80,600

### Selectmen's Report.

#### Cemetery Department. Page 104.

Additional lots are needed and they should be laid out with some system. We recommend that \$500 be appropriated for plotting and addition to the cemetery and for preparing lots.

#### Beattie Memorial Ambulance. Page 105.

We recommend that \$200 be appropriated for the care and maintenance of the ambulance, including the unpaid bill and the expense of a new harness.

#### Town Hall Yard. Page 106.

We do not recommend the erection of a new fence about the lot. We do recommend that a gravel walk be constructed by the Highway Department along the lines of the path across the

lot. It is Town land and the town's people show their need of a path. Such ought to be constructed for their use.

Humphrey Street Widening. Page 106.

We are told by the Chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission that the work is completed as they cannot undertake to do anything beyond where the concrete' work now stops, as a continuance would involve the Commission's entering upon a traffic street and that they will not do, except in peculiar circumstances and conditions which however do not exist in this connection. Humphrey street is a county road and the widening should be done by the county as the work would be a benefit for the general public rather than for the Town. We recommend that the Selectmen be requested to see what can be done by the county.

Selectmen's Recommendations. Page 109.

We recommend the following appropriations which have been modified in some respects from the list as submitted by the Selectmen:—

Selectmen's Department	.	.	.	.	\$4,500
Assessors Department	.	.	.	.	1,300
Police Department receipts and	.	.	.	.	6,000
Poor Department	.	.	.	.	2,500
Soldiers' Relief Department	.	.	.	.	2,400
Board of Health	.	.	.	.	4,000
Library, receipts, dog tax and	.	.	.	.	Soo
Cemetery, general	.	.	.	.	1,000
Town Hall, receipts and	.	.	.	.	1,400
Monument lot, care of	.	.	.	.	30
Tree Warden's Department	.	.	.	.	250
Water rates	.	.	.	.	1,200
Park Department	.	.	.	.	1,200
Maintenance of sewers	.	.	.	.	4,500
Sea wall, Orient street, near steps	.	.	.	.	50
					_____
					\$30,130

Corners at Humphrey, Redington Streets and at Burrill and Essex Streets; also Article 34, Orient Street and Widening.

In none of these matters has it been practicable to arrive at an understanding on which a satisfactory report could be made at this time. We recommend that these matters be referred to the Selectmen for further consideration and report at some subsequent Town meeting.

#### School Department.

We recommend for the School Department an appropriation of \$32,000. In making this recommendation for appropriation we are mindful that there are certain expensive and radical alterations that must soon be made in the matter of school buildings. We desire to call attention to the statement at the foot of page 147 of this year's report. It is stated that the "position of Swampscott in the list of 353 towns and cities of the State, graded according to appropriation based on each \$1,000 of valuation in 1905, was No. 321." This fact is found in the annual report of the Massachusetts State Board of Education and in this report is given also the position of Swampscott in the same list of 353 towns and cities when graded according to the comparative amount per pupil. In this particular Swampscott stood number 38. It appears therefore that according to the amounts appropriated per pupil Swampscott is near the head of the list of towns. It devolves there on all concerned, whether school committee or citizens to see that the results are of a quality to take equally high rank among the towns and cities of the State.

#### Highway Department.

Highways, general appropriation . . . . .	\$10,000
Snow, care of . . . . .	1,000
Gravel sidewalks . . . . .	250
Crushing stone . . . . .	1,200
Catch basins . . . . .	600
Resetting curb, Humphrey street . . . . .	100
Curbstone department . . . . .	250
Street watering . . . . .	3,000
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	\$16,400

**Continuous Sidewalks. Page 165.**

We recommend that \$500 and the reimbursements from 1906 be appropriated for continuous sidewalks on the northerly side of Middlesex avenue from Burrill street to the Clarke School; also on the northerly side of Monument avenue to the Church of the Holy Name; and that the work be continued on Humphrey street to the hay scales.

**New Boiler for Stone Crusher. Page 166.**

We recommend an appropriation of \$900 for a new boiler. The present one is old and inefficient and the expense of maintenance is too great. A new one will prove an economy for the Town.

**Road Machine. Page 166.**

We recommend an appropriation of \$300 for a road machine. This machine, designed to scrape dirt or snow from roads and gutters will prove to be an economical article for the Town to have.

**Under Drains and Water Courses. Page 166.**

It would seem under the Sewer act of 1902, Chapter 86, Section 1, that the sewer commissioners are given charge of "any brook, stream or water course." If so then no action is necessary on this recommendation.

**Fire Department.**

We recommend a general appropriation of \$9,000 and receipts for the Fire Department.

**New Horses.**

We recommend that \$400 and receipts from the sale of the old ones be appropriated for two new horses to replace two now in use. One is nineteen years old and has passed his usefulness. The other is not adapted to the work.

**New Hose.**

We recommend an appropriation of \$300 for new hose to replace some that is worn out.

**ARTICLE XII.**

We recommend that \$200 be appropriated toward defraying the expenses of Memorial Day as petitioned for.

**ARTICLE XVI.****Claim of A. O. Cahoon or His Assigns.**

As there is no action the town ought to take on this matter we recommend the indefinite postponement of the article.

As an appeal for votes for this measure has been made to those who have become citizens in late years, it seems best to review the record. The claim originated eleven years ago and has been the subject of heated discussion ever since, until through appeals for sympathy for the claimant, combined with reflections on the courts and references to sundry scraps of evidence, it would appear that the Town was doing a grievous wrong in failing to vote to pay A. O. Cahoon or his assigns some \$1,300. One does not like to be charged with "grinding the face of the poor" or with being one of those "who devour widow's houses." We are asked to believe that three officials of the Town, though in private life they bore and still bear the respect of the community, did in carrying out the will and wish of the Town act wantonly and in defiance of law, so that the Town can clear itself from the disgrace only by voting to pay the claimant or his assigns \$764 and interest for some eleven years.

The details of an incident after eleven years have elapsed, must be indistinct and the relations between the relevant and the irrelevant, between the material and the immaterial, are under the circumstances difficult, if not impossible to determine. Fortunately in this instance we have the court record, for A. O. Cahoon brought suit. Now when a man brings suit, he files his declaration and in it he states his ground of action and

his prayer for relief as strongly and as clearly as he can. We must conclude therefore that in his declaration, filed in Salem, March 20, 1897 (an authenticated copy of this and of the docket entries in this case is attached to and made a part of this report), A. O. Cahoon presented his case in such a way that, should we incorporate his statement in this report, we would be stating his case as he himself stated it ten years ago. From his declaration therefore it appears that he represented to the court that on March 31, 1896, he was seized as of a leasehold estate of land and buildings on Blaney Beach; that secondly, on March 31, 1896, the Park Commissioners took the land, premises and buildings thereon, and third, that the "petitioner prays that said Board of Park Commissioners has failed to award to your petitioner adequate damages therefor and that, being aggrieved thereat, he hereby petitions that said damages may be assessed by a jury in this Honorable Court."

The case was tried by a jury, as the petitioner requested, and they gave judgment for \$25 damages and \$29.79 costs, and execution was issued June 8, 1898 for these combined sums, namely, \$54.78. And this judgment has been paid.

It is evident, therefore, to all that Cahoon asked the Court to award adequate damages and the jury found that the sum of \$25 was adequate payment for all damages as prayed for, but we are now at this late day asked to act on the theory that the Court and the jury who heard the case, did not weigh the evidence and generally failed to grasp the matter in controversy, so that we are now besought after all these years to pass judgment upon their failures.

In view of the dictum of the Supreme Court in the recent decision in the case of the Attorney General against Stratton, (the Board of Health case so-called), namely, that the inhabitants of a town assembled in town meeting cannot conduct a trial of any of its officers and if they attempt it, through a committee, there is great risk that its members will not be fitted for judicial duties, it would be the height of folly for the Swampscott Town meeting to undertake to pass upon decision of the Superior Court, revise and practically reverse it and then vote to pay A. O. Cahoon or his assigns some \$1,300.

In short the petition of Cahoon had his day in court and won his case. The case is now closed definitely, and as there is no action the town ought to take in the matter we recommend the indefinite postponement of the article.

#### ARTICLES XVIII and XIX.

We recommend an appropriation of \$150 for Fire Alarm Boxes as petitioned for. In each case the distance of much property from existing boxes is greater than is consistant with proper protection against fire.

#### ARTICLE XX.

We recommend that a committee of three be appointed to report at a later meeting on the practicability of rearranging the fire signals with a view of dispensing with the steam whistle and of substituting some system that will meet the requirements where bells are not installed.

#### ARTICLE XXVI.

We recommend that \$400 be appropriated for the extension of Redington street. The street was laid out forty feet wide, but it has been constructed for but thirty feet. Houses are to be built and the street must be constructed.

#### ARTICLE XXVII.

In view of the probability that Atlantic avenue will be opened in the near future either for sewer or for water construction, it does not seem prudent to expend money now for macadamizing it. We recommend that needed repairs be made by the Highway Department.

#### ARTICLE XXVIII.

We recommend that needed repairs on Essex street be made by the Highway Department from the general appropriation.

## ARTICLE XXXIII.

We recommend that \$75 be appropriated for heating, lighting and repairs of the Pine Street School Building, said building being under the care of and occupied by the General Bates' Post 118 G. A. R.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN ALBREE,  
J. HENRY WELCH,  
E. A. MAXFIELD,  
FRANK H. GAGE,  
ALLEN H. COLE,  
F. W. HOMAN,  
JOHN J. BLANEY,  
W. W. SEYMOUR,  
H. CUSHING BULFINCH,  
ARTHUR C. WIDGER,

*Committee.*

On motion of M. E. Nies, Article 16 was taken up; E. M. Bailey moved the indefinite postponement of this article, M. E. Nies having called for the yeas and nays by the check list and twenty voters rising in support of the motion, the moderator ruled that the check list should be used. Mr. John Albree here arose to a point of order that the Act of the Legislature of 1906 authorizing the payment of the Cahoon claim has not been accepted by the Town, and that no action could be taken under Article 16. After consulting the statute the chair declared the point or order sustained, and the matter was indefinitely postponed.

Report of the Salary Committee on Articles 23, 29, 30, 35.

SWAMPSMOTT, April 15, 1907.

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The committee consisting of Allen H. Cole, Willis H. Doughty, Joseph M. Bassett, Herman F. Ashton and Alfred F. Frazier, appointed at the meeting of March 19 to revise the sal-

ary list, held its first meeting at the Town Hall on the evening of March 23 and organized with the selection of Allen H. Cole as Chairman and A. F. Frazier as Secretary.

Since that time the Committee has held several meetings and has carefully considered the matter of the salaries of the different town officials. Your committee feels that the work of all of the Town officials has materially increased during the last few years and regret much that the Town finances will not admit of giving every one an addition to his salary.

On April 2, the Salary Committee presented to the Finance Committee a partial report to govern them in making their appropriation for the several departments.

Your committee having finished its work submits the following recommendations as to the salaries of the several town officials.

1st. That the salaries of all the Town officials remain the same as last year except that of, the Clerk of the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Auditors, the members of the Police Department, the permanent men of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of highways, the Town laborers and the janitor of the Town Hall.

2nd. That Article 29, relating to the pay of the Superintendent of Highways, be adopted.

3rd. That Article XXX relative to the pay of the Town laborers be adopted.

4th. That Article XXXV concerning the half holiday for the Town laborers be adopted with the proviso that the men in order to secure the half-holiday shall work at least three days a week including Saturday forenoon.

5th. That the salary of the Town Accountant be \$550 per year.

6th. That the salary of the Clerk of the Board of Selectmen be \$150 per year.

7th. That the pay of the Chief of the Police Department be \$18 per week.

8th. That the pay of the Patrolmen of the Police Department be \$16 per week.

9th. That the salary of the Members of the Board of Auditors be \$50 each per year.

10th. That the pay of the Chief of the Fire Department be \$18 per week.

11th. That the pay of the Engineer of the Fire Department be \$16.50 per week.

12th. That the pay of the Drivers of the Fire Department be \$16 per week.

13th. That the pay of the Moderator of the Town meeting be \$25 for each regular meeting, and \$10 for each special meeting.

14th. That the pay of the agent and janitor of the Town Hall be \$14 per week.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN H. COLE,  
ALFRED F. FRAZIER,  
WILLIS E. DOUGHTY,  
HERMAN F. ASHTON,  
JOSEPH M. BASSETT.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the Salary Committee.

Voted, As recommended by the Finance Committee, to appropriate the following amounts for the current year:

For State tax . . . . .	\$16,000 00
For payment of Sewer Bonds . . . . .	\$4,600 00
For County tax . . . . .	1,200 00
For Gypsy Moth Work, Art. 36 . . . . .	2,000 00
For Interest on Notes . . . . .	6,500 00
For Notes due, 1907 . . . . .	22,000 00
For Interest on Sewer Bonds . . . . .	7,500 00
For Street Lights . . . . .	10,000 00

Voted, To appropriate \$200 for care and maintenance of the Beattie Ambulance including unpaid bill and expense of new harness, the care of the Ambulance to be placed with the Police Department.

Voted, To appropriate \$4,500 for Sewer maintenance and \$480 additional for water rates for the Department.

Voted, That care of brooks, streams and water courses be left in same hands as last year.

Voted, To adopt the Committee's recommendations on Art. 20, and that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair.

Voted, To adopt all the remainder of the report of the Finance Committee.

ART. 14. Voted, Unanimously, that the sum of \$20,000 be borrowed for permanent improvements, and that the Town Treasurer be hereby authorized with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to issue notes or bonds of the Town for \$20,000, \$1,000 payable each year from 1908 to 1917, and \$11,000 payable in 1917.

Voted, That the members of the present Committee on Street Lights serve for the current year, and that a vote of thanks be tendered them for past official service.

**Report of the Water Commissioners on Article 32.**

*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Water Commissioners to whom was referred Article No. 32 of the warrant have carefully considered the needs of the Water Department for the coming year and beg leave to submit the following :

We would recommend that \$3,000 of the remaining Water Bonds be issued May 1, 1907, and \$5,000 additional on February 1, 1908.

In support of the above we wish to say that at the close of the fiscal year 1906 the balance on hand to the credit of this Department was \$3,515.50, of this amount \$2,275.00 was paid out February 1st for interest due on bonds, this left us with an actual balance at the beginning of the current year of \$1,240.50. In order to make a comparative showing with the year 1905 we should add to this amount \$4,090.02 expended for meters last year which would make \$5,330.52 as against \$5,072.09 one year ago, to say nothing of \$2,940.59 used for new work and the unusual amount of \$2,645.88 spent for relaying services.

The \$3,000 which we ask for May 1st is simply to carry out the vote of the Town and install a second third of the meters.

The \$5,000 which we suggest be bonded February 1st, 1908 is for relaying Atlantic avenue, which we believe will soon become a necessity.

This Board has been called upon at various times by the representative of the Hotel Preston to see if it would be possible to have the cement-lined pipe in Atlantic avenue relaid with cast-iron pipe, there being at present no complete line of cast-iron to this hotel, the management have had some anxiety as to what difficulties might arise in case of serious breaks in the present pipes.

The amount of revenue received by the Town from the Preston and annexes last year was \$904.92; the amount received from all water-takers on Atlantic avenue last year was \$1,979.39; and these facts should cause us to give serious consideration to this matter.

If the Town should vote at this time to relay Atlantic avenue it would be impossible to do this work before our summer people are upon us and it would be fully as well to delay it until a year from now as it would to do it this fall, under this arrangement we could ask for bids on pipe this fall to be delivered next spring and thus we believe a material saving could be made.

In closing, perhaps it would be well to state that any bonds which might be issued could be purchased with funds now standing to the credit of the Sinking Fund.

WILLIAM H. BATES,  
S. M. KEHOE,  
I. I. EDGERLY,

*Water Commissioners.*

Voted, To accept and adopt the report on Article 32.

At 9.50 P. M., adjourned to tomorrow Tuesday evening at 7.45 o'clock.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

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**Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, April 16, 1907.**

Meeting called to order at 7.40 P. M. by the Moderator.

On motion of Mr. John Albree the reading of the Finance Committee report was dispensed with; the remainder of the records of the last meeting were read and declared approved.

The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to whom was referred Art. 21, submitted the following report which was adopted:

**The Board Recommend**

That the matter of Stacey Brook and Stacey Brook Outlet, and the nuisance caused thereby, be referred to the Selectmen with full power and authority to negotiate with the City of Lynn and the Metropolitan Park Commissioners for the purpose of reconstructing the outlet and abating the nuisance;

And that they be empowered to bring any action, either at law or in equity, which they deem expedient to protect the rights of the Town and its citizens.

Report of the Sewer Commissioners on Art. 22.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The Sewer Commissioners to whom the petition of Stuart P. Ellis and others was referred for a sewer to be constructed in Orient Court would report that they find strong opposition to this petition by the several abutters on Orient Court, the petitioners with one exception living remote from this locality. The Commissioners therefore decline to recommend its construction.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BUNTING,

E. H. CURTIS,

*Sewer Commissioners.*

Report accepted and adopted.

Report on Proposed Construction of Sewers in Rockland Street and  
Outlook Road, as Recommended on Page 195 of the Report.

To the Citizens of Swampscott:

The Sewer Commissioners would recommended the construction of sewers in Outlook road and Rockland street with particular sewers as mentioned in their report, the cost being respectively \$1,800 and \$400, the money to pay for the construction to be taken from the amount now in the treasury received from sewer assessments.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BUNTING,

E. H. CURTIS,

*Sewer Commissioners.*

Report accepted and adopted.

ART. 31. Voted to refer this matter to the Selectmen and Highway Surveyor, the expense of same to be taken from the Appropriation for Highways.

Voted, that \$400 be appropriated for repairs of Town fences.

ART. 32. Voted unanimously.

That for the purpose of enabling the Town of Swampscott to install one-third of the water meters of the Town and to replace the eight-inch cement-lined water pipe in Atlantic avenue with a ten-inch cast iron water pipe, there be issued coupon bonds of the Town of Swampscott, with the privilege of registration, to the amount, at par value of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000), in sums of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, bearing upon their face the words: "Town of Swampscott Water Loan," said bonds to be signed by the Treasurer of the Town of Swampscott, and countersigned by the Water Commissioners. Said bonds shall be issued under the seal of the Town, and bear date, August 1, 1898, payable at National Shawmut Bank of Boston; or at the office of the Treasurer of the Town of Swampscott, at the option of the holder on the first day of August, 1928, with interest at three and one-half per cent ( $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of February and August, principal and interest payable in gold coin of the United States, or its equivalent, and that the Treasurer of the Town and said Water Commissioners, at their discretion, cause such bonds to be prepared and disposed of, \$3,000 upon May 1, 1907, and \$5,000 February 1, 1908, at such prices as they may determine, subject to the provisions of Chapter 293, of the Acts of the Legislature of the year 1898.

The Sinking Fund heretofore established under the Act above mentioned, with all the provisions thereof, shall be, and the same is hereby extended so as to provide for the payment of the bonds authorized by the foregoing vote, and any of said bonds or remaining proceeds thereof not needed for the uses before mentioned, shall be paid and contributed to said fund, and such other and further payments and contributions shall be made thereto, from time to time as are required by the provisions of said Act of 1898, Chapter 293, and by other provisions of law, and said Sinking Fund shall remain inviolate and pledged to the payment of said loan, and shall be used for no other purpose.

Voted, That the sum of \$900 for a new boiler for the stone crusher, and \$300 for a road machine, heretofore appropriated,

be expended under direction of the Selectmen and Highway Surveyor, also that the sums of \$400 for horses, \$300 for new fire hose, and \$150 for fire alarm boxes be expended under direction of the Selectmen and Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

The Finance Committee's report on Article 20 was adopted, and E. M. Tuttle, George Barker, and the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, were appointed as the Committee.

A Committee consisting of E. G. Hodgkins, Joseph M. Bassett and Robert Leslie was appointed by the Moderator, to report at a subsequent meeting upon temporary repairs on the Engine House, and also to consider location, plans, and probable cost of a new building for the Fire Department.

The following were named by the Moderator as the Committee of Ways and Means in accordance with the By-Laws :

Elgar H. Townsend, Frank H. Gage, George A. Heath, H. Cushing Bulfinch, Robert B. Wardwell, James E. Phillips, and Allen H. Cole, Mr. Bulfinch having declined, Willis E. Doughty was appointed, and Mr. Cole having removed from the Town, John Albree was chosen to serve in his stead.

Voted, That the amount appropriated for the current year be \$173,935.00, and that \$20,000 of this sum be raised by loan for permanent improvements.

At 8.35 P. M. adjourned to Tuesday evening, June 25, 1907 at 7.45 o'clock.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Special Town Meeting June 25, 1907.****TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in  
said County,*

*GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of June, current, at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will macadamize and resurface Monument avenue on the easterly side from Burrill street to Devens road, and appropriate money for the same, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate one thousand dollars to be added to the appropriation for maintenance for the Sewer Department, as recommended by the Sewer Commissioners.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate three hundred dollars for the care of Brooks, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will amend its vote of April 16, 1907, authorizing the issue of eight thousand dollars of Water Bonds by substituting the words "first day of May, 1907, and the first day of February, 1908, as hereinafter provided," for the words "first day of August, 1898," so that said vote shall read as follows:

Voted, That for the purpose of enabling the Town of Swampscott to install one-third of the water meters of the Town and to replace the eight-inch cement-lined water pipe in Atlantic avenue with a ten-inch cast-iron water pipe, there be issued coupon bonds of the Town of Swampscott, with the privilege of registration, to the amount, at par value, of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) in sums of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, bearing upon their face the words "Town of Swampscott Water Loan," said bonds to be signed by the Treasurer of the Town of Swampscott and countersigned by the Water Commissioners. Said bonds shall be issued under the Seal of the Town, and bear date, first day of May, 1907, and first day of February, 1908, as hereinafter provided, payable at National Shawmut Bank of Boston, or at the office of the Treasurer of the Town of Swampscott, at the option of the holder, on the first day of August, 1928, with interest at three and one-half per cent ( $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.) per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of February and August, principal and interest payable in gold coin of the United States, or its equivalent, and that the Treasurer of the Town and said Water Commissioners, at their discretion, cause such bonds to be prepared and disposed of, \$3,000 upon May 1, 1907, and \$5,000, February 1, 1908, at such places as they may determine, subject to the provisions of Chapter 293, of the Acts of the Legislature of the year 1898.

The Sinking Fund heretofore established under the Act above mentioned, with all the provisions thereof, shall be, and the same is hereby extended so as to provide for the payment of the bonds authorized by the foregoing vote, and any of said bonds as remaining proceeds thereof not needed for the uses before mentioned, shall be paid and contributed to said fund. And such other and further payments and contributions shall be made thereto, from time to time, as are required by the provisions of said Act of 1898, Chapter 293, and by other provisions of law. And said Sinking Fund shall remain inviolate, and pledged to the payment of said loan, and shall be used for no other purpose, as recommended by the Water Commissioners.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to repair and put to grade Jessie street, and appropriate four hundred dollars for the same, as petitioned for by Edward Ball and others.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize Burrill street from Essex street to the overhead bridge, and appropriate eight hundred dollars for the same, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$3,218.55 for moth work, as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posing attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fourteenth day of June, in the year nineteen hundred and seven.

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

## Return on the Warrant.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and twenty other places in said Swampscott on Tuesday the eighteenth day of June, 1907, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P. M., by the Moderator. Mr. Townsend, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, submitted the following report on the matter contained in the Warrant.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., June 25, 1907.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

In the preparation of their recommendations on the various articles in the Town Warrant for the Special Town Meeting the Committee on Ways and Means finds itself asked to advise the expenditure of about \$4,350 with no means of providing the same other than by the imposition of a high tax rate or by increasing the bonded indebtedness of the Town to an extent not considered advisable at this time.

At the last Annual Town Meeting the Finance Committee after a thorough study of conditions recommended the appropriations of amounts approximating \$174,000 for the ensuing year. Of this sum bonds to the extent of \$20,000 were issued.

The balance must be raised by taxation and the assessors find that with the addition of new properties and a revision of the valuations already existing they will be compelled to name a tax rate in excess of that of last year and consequently the highest in the history of the Town.

We do not wish to dwell needlessly on the danger of driving residents with considerable personal property subject to taxation

from our midst but must not ignore the fact that their removal has already begun and our receipts will suffer this year to the extent of between two and three thousand dollars.

With these facts in mind we strongly advise a conservative spirit on the part of the Town in incurring further obligations.

As to ART. 1. The easterly side of Monument avenue, although not one of the main arteries of Town, is considerably used. Its condition would, of course, be much improved by macadamizing but the surface is now in fair shape and such repairs as may be needed should be met from the regular appropriation at the disposal of the Highway Department. We recommend that this work be postponed until some future time and that no appropriation be made.

ART. 2. The sum asked for by the Sewer Commissioners is desired to make good the deficiency caused by the payment of five years accumulated salary of one of the Board. As there are sufficient funds at the disposal of the Board we recommend that the amount be drawn from such funds and that the sum needed be included by the Sewer Commissioners in their estimate at the next annual Town Meeting.

ART. 3. Referring to the question of brooks, we recommend that no sum be appropriated for this work but that the Surveyor of Highways give the brooks such care as is needed with means at his disposal.

ART. 5. The removal of an elevation and filling of a depression would improve the grade of Jessie street but we feel that no immediate danger is to be met and deem it unwise to expend the money this year. We therefore recommend that no action be taken at this time and no appropriation be made.

ART. 6. Burrill street from Essex street to the bridge would be improved by macadamizing but with the exception of that portion directly under and approaching the bridge the surface

is in good condition. Such repairs as are imperative should be made at moderate cost and we recommend that no appropriation be made at this time.

ART. 7. The appropriation of \$3,218.55 for moth work is required by the Commonwealth and we recommend that this sum be appropriated. It will be remembered that of this amount 80 per cent. will be refunded by the state.

Respectfully submitted,

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND, *Chairman.*

ROBERT B. WARDWELL,

ALLEN H. COLE,

GEORGE A. HEATH,

JAMES E. PHILLIPS.

Voted, To accept the report.

Voted, To appropriate \$1,000 to macadamize and resurface Monument avenue, from Burrill street to Devens Road, as far as the money will allow, amount to be raised by loan.

Voted, To adopt the Committee's recommendations on Articles 2 and 3.

ART. 4. Voted, To amend the vote of the Town of April 16, 1907, authorizing the issue of \$8,000 of Water bonds by substituting the words "first day of May, 1907, and the first day of February 1908," for the words "first day of August 1898," so that said vote shall read as stated in the Warrant calling this meeting.

ART. 5. Voted, That Jessie street be repaired and put to grade, and that \$400 be appropriated for the purpose, to be raised by loan.

ART. 6. Voted, To appropriate \$800 to regrade and macadamize Burrill street, from railroad bridge to Essex street, amount to be raised by loan.

ART. 7. Voted, To appropriate \$3,218.55 for moth work as required by the Commonwealth, 80 per cent. of which sum is to be refunded by the State, and the remaining 20 per cent. to be assessed this year.

Voted, At 8.32 P. M. to dissolve this meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

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**Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, June 25, 1907.**

Meeting called to order at 8.35 P. M., immediately after the dissolution of the special meeting.

Voted, To dispense with the reading of the records of the previous meeting.

**Report of the Committee on Article 20.**

*Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your committee appointed to look up subject matter on Article 20 beg leave to report as follows: We have carefully gone into the matter regarding compressed air whistles, holding interviews with the agents for same. We do not deem it advisable at this time to recommend to the Town the use of such apparatus for its fire signal, as there are still chances for marked improvement in the working of them. We do, however, recommend the installing of a bell to be operated by the present fire alarm system. We also recommend that \$875 be appropriated for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE BARKER,

E. M. TUTTLE,

GEORGE P. CAHOON.

Voted, That the report be accepted and adopted, and that \$875 be appropriated for the same, to be raised by loan.

Voted, That the Board of Selectmen and Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, be a committee to purchase and install a Bell under the above vote.

**Report of the Committee on Repairs on Engine House. Etc.**

*Mr. Moderator and Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your committee appointed at the last town meeting on location for a new Central Engine House, also probable cost of the same and cost of repairs on New Ocean street house would report as follows:

We have looked at a number of sites in different parts of the center of the town and find that but few locations that would be suitable are available at reasonable prices and it would seem to your committee that the Morris lot next to the Town Hall on which the Town holds an option would be well suited for such a purpose.

The Blaney lot, corner of State Road and Norfolk avenue can be bought for \$1,500.

Having had the Howe estate, corner Rock avenue and Burrill street suggested by a number of citizens, we investigated with the following results:

First price given to committee \$4,000 by those who spoke to us about it.

Price asked by agent who has it for sale \$4,500, and during the last week Mr. Howe informs us that he has already given option to private party at \$5,000.

The cost of repairs, temporary, on New Ocean Street House, doing as little as possible and making it tenantable for two or three years, estimated \$300.

The cost of permanent repairs on the old house would be very hard to estimate as the building is in very bad condition and it would be very hard to tell how much would have to be done to it until you commenced to tear it out. The lowest possible

estimate we are able to give is from \$1,800 to \$2,000, possibly more.

The cost of a new house suitable for the Town for years to come, estimated, would be as follows :

Built entirely of wood, \$12,000 to \$15,000.

Built entirely of brick, \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Built of stone with upper stories wood, \$17,000.

These figures are taken from prices paid for about such a building as it would seem to your committee that the Town might want recently built by towns and cities in the state during the past two years and also are rough estimates of architects.

We recommend that a committee of five citizens be appointed by the Moderator to get out plans and estimates without cost to the Town for a new Engine House and Police Station combined to be located on the Morris lot, and report at the next annual Town meeting.

We also recommend that the sum of \$300 be appropriated to make the necessary repairs on the old engine house.

J. M. BASSETT,  
E. G. HODGKINS,  
ROBERT LESLIE.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the committee and the following were appointed by the Moderator as the committee : Joseph M. Bassett, Eli G. Hodgkins, Robert Leslie, U. M. Corson and O. G. Poor.

Voted at 8.45 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest : MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

**Special Town Meeting July 16, 1907.****TOWN WARRANT.****ESSEX, ss.**

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,*

*GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the sixteenth day of July, current, at 7.45 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:—

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to draw an order for \$65 to pay the claim of Charles S. Haskell, on account of a safe bought by the Board of Health and approved by them over one year ago, as petitioned for by P. F. Munsey and others.

**ART. 2.** To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer in the rear of certain houses on the south side of Claremont terrace, as recommended by the Sewer Commissioners.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

**HEREOF FAIL NOT,** and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifth day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and seven.

MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and twenty other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott on Monday, the eighth day of July, 1907, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7.45 P. M.

Mr. Townsend from the Ways and Means Committee submitted their report upon the matters contained in the Warrant as follows :

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., July 15, 1907.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

In the consideration of the Town Warrant for meeting to be held on the 16th inst., we find but one Article (the first) calling for the expenditure of money, and this for so small an amount that it would not require a special appropriation, but could be paid from the funds set aside for the department in question.

In advising the voters present as to this article, however, we wish to call their attention to what we believe to be a most unfortunate precedent and one which, if followed, may lead to complications and a decidedly unsatisfactory method of conducting the Town's affairs. We refer to the calling of a Special Town Meeting for the purpose of inducing the comparatively few voters who attend such meetings to dispose of matters which should properly be settled by the various Boards elected to conduct the Town's business.

Should this method be followed the result would be the calling of a special meeting for the consideration of any bill presented to the Board of Selectmen and, for any cause, disapproved by them.

The duty of passing upon bills for articles purchased rests with the Selectmen and they are undoubtedly better qualified to decide upon the propriety of such bills than the voters assembled in Town Meeting who may have given the subject but cursory attention.

ARTICLE 1, is "to decide if the Town will instruct the Selectmen" to pay a bill of \$65 for a safe purchased from Charles S. Haskell by the Board of Health. This bill has been before two Boards of Selectmen and rejected by both—but one member of the five favoring payment.

That portion of Chapter 35, Sections 18 and 19 Revised Laws of Mass., which bears upon the purchase of safes for the use of the Town is as follows:

SECT. 18. Selectmen shall, at the expense of the town, provide and maintain safes or vaults for the safekeeping of the public records.

SECT. 19. All such records shall be kept in the rooms in which they are ordinarily used . . . . when not in use they shall be kept in the safes provided for them.

It would therefore appear that it is the duty of the Selectmen and not the Board of Health, to provide a safe, and that the pur-

chase by the latter, without the approval of the Selectmen, was without their province.

In view of the apparent fact that the purchase was made by the Board of Health without authority and that the approval of all bills rests with the Selectmen, it is our opinion that the question of paying this bill should be decided by the Selectmen and not by the Town.

We therefore recommend that Article 1 be referred to the Board of Selectmen with instructions to dispose of it in such manner as in their judgment may be for the best interests of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND, *Chairman*,  
JAMES E. PHILLIPS,  
GEORGE A. HEATH,  
ALLEN H. COLE.

A motion to adopt the Committee's report was lost.

ART. 1. A motion by W. R. Hastings to instruct the Selectmen to draw an order for \$65 to pay the claim of Charles S. Haskell for a second hand safe sold to the Board of Health was lost, 65 to 68.

ART. 2. Voted to accept and adopt Article 2 of the Warrant provided the owners of the estates benefited agree to comply with the same requirements as regards assessments as those on public streets, and also release to the Town without costs, a sufficient right of way for the construction and maintenance of the sewer, and that the cost of said sewer be taken from money now in the treasury to the credit of the Sewer Department, accruing from sewer assessments.

Upon the reading by the chairman of the Board of Selectmen, of the communication from the commission in charge of erection of the Pilgrim Monument at Provincetown, it was resolved, that it is the expression of this meeting that the Select-

men be empowered to order a memorial stone for the Cape Cod Pilgrim Monument now building at Provincetown, Mass., the cost of stone to be \$45.

Voted at 8.50 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*'Town Clerk.'*

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**Annual State Election, November 5, 1907.**

**TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,*

*GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the fifth day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen, on one ballot, for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Councillor for the Fifth Essex District, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator First Essex District. Two Representatives in General Court for Twelfth Essex District, County Commissioner and two Associate Commissioners, District Attorney, Sheriff and Amendment to the Constitution.

The polls to be kept open until 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of October in the year nineteen hundred and seven.

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, depots, post offices and twenty-five other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of October, nineteen hundred and seven, the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable of Swampscott.*

Meeting called to order at 6 o'clock A. M., by Arthur C. Widger, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, chief election officer presiding.

The following were qualified by the Clerk: James H. Moulton, Special, Thomas Thumith, (Rep.), and Willis C. Paul, (Dem.), Ballot Clerks; Lyndon B. Jeffers, Frank V. Porter, R. B. Wardwell, Jr., Freeman A. Baker, (Reps.), and Albert A. Stone, Sidney M. Shattuck, John A. Finnegan, George W. Harris, (Dems.), as Tellers.

The polls closed at 4.30 P. M., 754 ballots having been cast, at 6.45 P. M., the following was declared as the result of the vote.

#### **Governor.**

Charles W. Bartlett, of Newton . . . . .	10
Thomas F. Brennan, of Salem . . . . .	6
John W. Brown, of Worcester . . . . .	9
Hervey S. Cowell, of Ashburnham . . . . .	12
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston . . . . .	489
Thomas L. Hisgen, of West Springfield . . . . .	119
Henry M. Whitney, of Brookline . . . . .	82
Blanks . . . . .	27

#### **Lieutenant-Governor.**

E. Gerry Brown, of Brockton . . . . .	131
John T. Cahill, of Lawrence . . . . .	3
Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale . . . . .	450
Walter J. Hoar, of Worcester . . . . .	2
Robert Lawrence, of Clinton . . . . .	11
Jonathan S. Lewis, of Stoneham . . . . .	13
George A. Schofield, of Ipswich . . . . .	117
Blanks . . . . .	27

#### **Secretary.**

Solon W. Bingham, of Newton . . . . .	9
Odilon Z. E. Charest, of Holyoke . . . . .	53
John Hall, Jr., of Chicopee . . . . .	17
William M. Olin, of Boston . . . . .	534
Arthur E. Reimer, of Boston . . . . .	6
Dennis J. Ring, of Lowell . . . . .	63
Blanks . . . . .	72

#### **Treasurer.**

Albert Barnes, of Fall River . . . . .	1
Edward J. Cantwell, of Fall River . . . . .	68
Arthur B. Chapin, of Holyoke . . . . .	504
William P. Connery, of Lynn . . . . .	40

Daniel F. Doherty of Westfield . . . . .	46
Charles C. Hitchcock, of Ware . . . . .	11
Edward Kendall, of Cambridge . . . . .	12
Blanks . . . . .	72

**Auditor.**

Joao Claudino, of New Bedford . . . . .	3
Joseph A. Conry, of Boston . . . . .	56
Thomas E. Finnerty, of Clinton . . . . .	63
George G. Hall, of Boston . . . . .	15
James F. Pease, of Merrimac . . . . .	15
Henry E. Turner, of Malden . . . . .	511
Blanks . . . . .	91

**Attorney-General.**

Allen Coffin, of Nantucket . . . . .	17
Dana Malone, of Greenfield . . . . .	498
John McCarthy of Abington . . . . .	15
James E. McConnell, of Boston . . . . .	56
William N. Osgood, of Lowell . . . . .	77
Harvey H. Pratt, of Scituate . . . . .	4
Gilbert G. Smith, of Lawrence . . . . .	3
Blanks . . . . .	84

**Councillor.**

Ludlow J. Berkley, of Lynn . . . . .	98
Samuel Cole, of Beverly . . . . .	515
John F. Putnam, of Danvers . . . . .	27
Willard O. Wylie, of Beverly . . . . .	18
Blanks . . . . .	96

**Senator.**

Lawrence Cunningham, of Lynn . . . . .	12
Wilbur D. Moon, of Lynn . . . . .	14
Michael F. Phelan, of Lynn . . . . .	278
William R. Salter, of Lynn . . . . .	403
Blanks . . . . .	47

## Representatives in General Court.

Casmir Cloutier, of Lynn . . . . .	15
William E. Dorman, of Lynn . . . . .	418
Bernard W. Gidney, of Lynn . . . . .	14
Fred S. Hutchinson, of Lynn . . . . .	28
William E. Iverson, of Swampscott . . . . .	62
James T. Lyons, of Swampscott . . . . .	183
Sylvester P. Miles, 2nd, of Lynn . . . . .	52
George H. Newhall, of Lynn . . . . .	469
Blanks . . . . .	267

## County Commissioner.

Joseph Bartlett, of Lynn . . . . .	86
John M. Grosvenor, Jr., of Swampscott . . . . .	379
T. Dexter Johnson, of Nahant . . . . .	211
Granville A. Kelly, of Haverhill . . . . .	20
Blanks . . . . .	58

## Associate Commissioners.

John W. Bridge, of Methuen . . . . .	24
George A. Doucet, of Lawrence . . . . .	68
Fred L. Johnson, of Lynn . . . . .	43
Clarence E. Kimball, of Wenham . . . . .	464
Richard D. Long, of Salem . . . . .	70
Joseph A. Marshall, of Haverhill . . . . .	29
Sherman Nelson, of Georgetown . . . . .	426
Angus N. Wilbur, of Amesbury . . . . .	23
Blanks ; . . . . .	361

## District Attorney.

Clarence O. Libby, of Merrimac . . . . .	68
W. Scott Peters, of Haverhill . . . . .	571
Blanks . . . . .	115

**Sheriff.**

Samuel A. Johnson, of Salem . . . . .	570
Jason Spofford, of Amesbury . . . . .	36
Alpheus E. Tuttle, of Gloucester . . . . .	34
Blanks . . . . .	114

**Amendment to Constitution.**

Yes . . . . .	424
No . . . . .	66
Blanks . . . . .	264

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**Special Town Meeting, January 14, 1908.****TOWN WARRANT.**

ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,* *GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January, current, at seven forty-five o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

**ARTICLE 1.** To see whether or not the Town will vote to use unexpended balances and receipts of the various departments of the Town to defray the current expenses of the Town for the remaining period of the year.

**ART. 2.** To see what action the Town will take to defray Town charges for the remainder of the current year, and appropriate money for the same.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this third day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and eight.

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

**Return on the Warrant.**

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the legal voters of Swampscott by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and twenty other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Monday, January sixth, 1908; the posting of said notices being at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

Meeting called to order at 7.45 P. M. by the Moderator.

Mr. Townsend, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, submitted the following report upon the matters contained in the Warrant:

SWAMPSMOTT, MASS., January 14, 1908.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

On receipt of reports from the Town Accountant, as to the standing of the various departments on January 1, the Selectmen found that in various cases the appropriations were substantially exhausted, and that there were not sufficient funds in sight to defray the expenses of the Town between that time and the Annual Town Meeting in March.

Therefore, in accordance with Chapter 3, Section 8 of Revised By-Laws, this special Town Meeting has been called to see whether the Town will vote to raise sufficient money to defray such charges.

The Committee on Ways and Means, after a full examination of the present conditions of our finances, with the assistance of the Selectmen and Town Accountant, and in consultation with the heads of the various departments, consider that the Town should be informed in detail of such conditions, and of the causes which, in their opinion, are responsible for the shortage.

Without endeavoring at present to place the responsibility upon either the voters assembled in Town Meeting or the officials who administer their wishes, or both, we must call your attention to the fact that there exists today an excess of expenditures and a shortage of receipts which must be equalized or we face a condition which can only be relieved by lessening the first and materially increasing the second.

The Town has in the past adopted the plan of maintaining a low tax rate by borrowing money on long time loans to meet current expenses. This policy is loading us with a debt on which interest and principal must be paid in a future year which will have its own full demand for money, and we have no reason to doubt that the cost of running the Town will be greater rather than less as the years come.

Our various departments are in a condition of which the Town need not be ashamed, but the expense of their maintenance cannot be met with low taxes.

A conservative estimate of the amounts of money needed to pay our bills until March 16, is as follows:

Highway Department . . . . .	\$1,000 00
School . . . . .	5,300 00
Selectmen . . . . .	2,000 00
Poor . . . . .	440 00
Police . . . . .	1,000 00
Fire . . . . .	2,620 00
Street Lights . . . . .	2,526 00
Cemetery . . . . .	275 00
Sidewalks . . . . .	155 00
Town Hall . . . . .	320 00
Tree Warden . . . . .	75 00
Board of Health . . . . .	800 00
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	550 00
Fences . . . . .	200 00
State Aid . . . . .	500 00
Park . . . . .	250 00
Moth Work . . . . .	3,000 00
Cemetery Improvement . . . . .	30 00
Assessors . . . . .	475 00
Ambulance . . . . .	100 00
Engine House Repairs . . . . .	200 00
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	\$21,816 00

To meet this, there was available on January 1, amount in Treasurer's hands, about \$1,300. Amount of unpaid taxes about \$8,800 of which about \$6,000 will probably be collected. Loans authorized, but not yet borrowed, covering appropriations for Monument avenue, Jessie street, Burrill street, bell for Phillips Beach Engine House, etc., \$3,375; total, \$10,675, leaving a shortage of \$11,141.

It is possible that some of the departments may have some small additional receipts but these will amount to so little in the aggregate that they will not considerably affect the sum needed.

The question naturally arises, "Why this shortage? Why was not this money raised by taxation?" A number of causes have combined to produce this condition, the principal of which we find to be first overdrafts of several departments beyond their

appropriations, about \$5,200; second, cash in Treasurer's hands March 1, 1907, considered available by Assessors, \$4,000; and third, surplus discount and abatements from the tax levy, beyond that estimated by the Assessors, \$1,500, making a total of \$10,700. This sum nearly accounts for our present shortage.

Of these items, the amount for discount and abatements could not be foreseen. The inclusion of the amount in Treasurer's hands March 1, was manifestly an error, as such funds were collected to pay appropriations then current. It is probable that the slight confusion incident to the inauguration of the new by-laws was responsible for this amount. The departmental overdrafts beyond the sum of \$200 are as follows:

School . . . . .	\$586 00
Selectmen . . . . .	1,532 00
Police . . . . .	324 00
Fire . . . . .	1,219 00
Street lights . . . . .	662 00
Curb stones . . . . .	629 00
Health . . . . .	400 00
Continuous sidewalks . . . . .	1,160 00

The apparent reasons, therefore, are, in the case of the School Department, \$586.00, the natural increase in the number of children to be cared for and probably the increased expense in maintaining the Clark School.

Selectmen, \$1,532.00. This department is, of course, that which takes the odds and ends and unappropriated expenses, and the drains from this source have been more than usual. In addition, there has been between eight and nine hundred dollars, bill for legal expenses for work contracted in previous years, but for which bills had not been rendered.

Police, \$324.00. The appropriation for this department allows but \$86.00 beyond the salary list, and this amount, together with receipts, must pay current expenses. This year, the receipts up to the time of our information, were \$707.00 as

against something over \$1,000.00 last year. This would substantially account for the shortage.

Street Lights, \$662.00. For some reason, there has been a bill for one month's lighting held back each year for some time, and consequently that bill has had to be paid from next year's appropriation.

Curb Stones, \$629.00. Of this amount, a considerable portion will be returned by property owners but such sums will not come in during the current year.

Health, \$400.00. Owing to the necessary construction of a culvert, for which no special appropriation had been made, the cost thereof was charged to this department and accounts for the overdraft. In fact aside from this, there would probably be a small balance left to their credit.

Continuous sidewalks, \$1,160.00. A portion of this amount will also be returned during the coming year.

Fire Department, \$1,219.00. This overdraft seems to be caused by the confusion of the ending of the fiscal year with the ending of the year for which the appropriations were made.

It is the judgment of your committee that so far as possible, the receipts of each year should be planned so as to cover the year's expenditures, and that each department should endeavor to render all bills for outstanding obligations before the close of the year ending with the March town meeting—nothing can be gained by withholding bills to create an impression of lessened expenditures. It will of course be borne in mind that while our fiscal year ends January 31st, the appropriations are made for the year ending with March Town Meeting.

In order that as little money as possible need be raised at the present time, we therefore recommend that the Selectmen be authorized to use unexpended balances of the various departments for the expenditures of the town in other departments.

We also recommend that the Selectmen and Town Treasurer be authorized to borrow, on short time loans, such sum or sums as may be needed to defray the charges maturing before the annual Town Meeting, March 16th, 1908, such sum or sums

not to exceed a total of \$11,100. The payment of such loans shall be provided for in the tax levy for 1908.

Respectfully submitted,

ELGAR H. TOWNSEND,  
ROBERT B. WARDWELL,  
JAMES E. PHILLIPS,  
GEORGE A. HEATH,  
WILLIS E. DOUGHTY,  
JOHN ALLREE,

*Committee on Ways and Means.*

Voted, to accept the report of the committee.

Article 2 was taken up with Article 1, when the report with recommendations of the Committee was adopted, and it was unanimously

Voted, That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to, and for the use of the Town, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate not to exceed \$11,100 and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the year 1908.

Martin L. Quinn offered the following, which was

RESOLVED, That whereas the Swampscott railroad station of the Boston & Maine Railroad Company is inadequate for the proper execution of the company's passenger business, and under the present system passengers are obliged to cross and recross the tracks of said railroad, over which pass a great many trains daily, both passenger and freight, many of which do not stop at Swampscott, but pass through the station at a high rate of

speed; wherefore the citizens of Swampscott, in town meeting assembled, do hereby express their disapproval of the existing condition of affairs, and do hereby authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to appear before the Railroad Commissioners, or by other appropriate means to procure an improvement of existing conditions.

Carried.

Voted at 8.15 P. M. to dissolve the meeting.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

## Town Clerk's Statistics.

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### **Births Recorded.**

Males, 58; females, 64. Total, 122.

*Nativity of Fathers*—Massachusetts, 50; Italy, 21; Canada, 14; Maine and Newfoundland, 7 each; New Hampshire and New York, 4 each; Vermont and England, 3 each; Ireland and Sweden, 2 each; New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Scotland and Russia, 1 each.

*Nativity of Mothers*—Massachusetts, 45; Italy, 22; Canada, 14; Ireland, 10; Newfoundland, 6; New York and England, 4 each; Maine, New Hampshire and Sweden, 3 each; New Jersey, 2; Rhode Island, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Scotland and Russia, 1 each.

Fathers born in Swampscott, 8; mothers, 7.

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### **Marriages Recorded, 72.**

In January, 5; February, 5; March, 3; April, 8; May, 2; June, 11; July, 5; August, 5; September, 9; October, 8; November, 9; December, 2.

*Nativity of Grooms*—Massachusetts, 34; Canada, 11; Italy, 5; Maine and New Hampshire, 4 each; Newfoundland, 3; England, Ireland, and Pennsylvania, 2 each; New York, Indiana, Connecticut, Kentucky, and North Carolina, 1 each.

*Nativity of Brides*,—Massachusetts, 41; Canada, 10; Ireland, 6; Italy, 4; Maine, 3; Newfoundland, 2; England, Sweeden, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Illinois, 1 each.

Grooms born in Swampscott, 3.

Brides born in Swampscott, 9.

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### Deaths Recorded.

Males, 56; females, 52. Total, 108.

In January, 8; February, 2; March, 21; April, 6; May, 10; June, 7; July, 7; August, 7; September, 10; October, 9; November, 9; December, 12.

Under 5 years, 23; 5 to 10, 1; 10 to 20, 1; 20 to 30, 6; 30 to 40, 5; 40 to 50, 12; 50 to 60, 8; 60 to 70, 18; 70 to 80, 18; 80 to 90, 12; over 90, 3. Unknown, 1.

*Eighty Years of age and over*—Mary A. Wade, 80 yrs. 3 mos. 8 days, senility; John Barnes, 80 yrs. 10 mos. 21 days, exhaustion; Sarah E. Carroll, 81 yrs. 3 mos. 29 days, pneumonia; Susan Frances Haskell, 81 yrs. 8 mos. 20 days, pneumonia; Samuel Field Crosman, 81 yrs. 10 mos. 14 days, old age; Caroline Saxton, 82 yrs. 22 days, fractured hip bone, William W. Gordon, 83 yrs, pneumonia; Abbie Baker Rich, 83 yrs. 7 mos. 18 days, cerebral hemorrhage; Thirza Jane Alger, 83 yrs. 7 mos. 29 days, old age; John Henry Crosman, 83 yrs. 11 mos. 21, apoplexy; Julia M. Arnold, 86 yrs. 2 mos. 7 days, arterio sclerosis; Susan Giles, 89 yrs. 6 mos. 12 days, senility.

*Ninety years of age or over*—Eliza J. Davenport, 90 yrs. 1 mo. 14 days, senility; Stephen Harrison Wardwell, 90 yrs. 6 mos. 25 days, congestion of brain, old age; John G. Collins, 90 yrs. 7 mos., old age.

**Dogs Licensed.**

Males, 245. Females, 57. Total, 302.

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**Licenses Issued to Junk Dealers.**

Two at \$75 each.

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**Peddlers of Foreign Fruits, etc.**

Four at \$2 each.

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**Pool Table Licenses.**

Two at \$2 each.

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**Auctioneer.**

One at \$2.

Attest: MILTON D. PORTER,

*Town Clerk.*

## Jury List.

Prepared and posted by the Selectmen, for the consideration  
of the Town at the Annual Meeting, March 16, 1908.

Albree, Edward C.	.	.	.	Accountant
Andrews, Isaac H.	.	.	.	Carpenter
Bailey, Sidney E.	.	.	.	Teacher
Barker, George	.	.	.	Superintendent
Bartol, Samuel S.	.	.	.	Salesman
Bassett, Joseph M.	.	.	.	Merchant
Bemis, William W.	.	.	.	Retired
Blanchard, Charles A.	.	.	.	Sole cutter
Blanchard, Horace W.	.	.	.	Superintendent
Blaney, John J.	.	.	.	Salesman
Butterworth, Charles W.	.	.	.	Superintendent
Cahoon, L. Frank	.	.	.	Salesman
Collins, Fred M.	.	.	.	Bookkeeper
Curtis, Thomas B. P.	.	.	.	Merchant
Daniels, Frank W.	.	.	.	Retired
Dean, Leander N.	.	.	.	Counter worker
Ellis, Stuart P.	.	.	.	Photographer
Eno, Fred L.	.	.	.	Clerk
Foster, Arthur F.	.	.	.	Attorney
Freeman, Frank I.	.	.	.	Clerk
Gardner, Charles H.	.	.	.	Barber
Gilbert, George E.	.	.	.	Insurance
Hardy, Elmer E.	.	.	.	Salesman
Haskell, Charles S.	.	.	.	Salesman
Hilton, Grant S.	.	.	.	Printer
Hurd, Stephen H.	.	.	.	Grocer

Ingalls, Frank E.	.	.	.	Salesman
Iverson, William E.	.	.	.	Machinist
Jennings, Harry	.	.	.	Hay and grain
Jeffers, Charles P.	.	.	.	Druggist
Kehoe, Samuel M.	.	.	.	Merchant
Kitfield, Edward H.	.	.	.	Civil engineer
Lampard, George H.	.	.	.	Painter
Martin, Walter T.	.	.	.	Salesman
Melzard, George T.	.	.	.	Superintendent
Merritt, John R.	.	.	.	Manufacturer
Millett, Orlando R.	.	.	.	Carpenter
McDermott, John T.	.	.	.	Machinist
Newcomb, Harry B.	.	.	.	Plumber
Norcross, W. Percy	.	.	.	Clerk
Olsen, Andrew	.	.	.	Shoe cutter
Otis, William H.	.	.	.	Clerk
Pope, James M.	.	.	.	Plumber
Randall, William A.	.	.	.	Manufacturer
Russ, Harry O.	.	.	.	Clerk
Shattuck, Sidney M.	.	.	.	Merchant
Stalbird, Charles E.	.	.	.	Gasfitter
Stone, Martin V. B.	.	.	.	Master mariner
Tatro, Lewis W.	.	.	.	Salesman
Thing, Ernest B.	.	.	.	Fisherman
Tuttle, Edgar M.	.	.	.	Paper hanger
Wardwell, Robert B.	.	.	.	Hotel keeper
Waters, William J.	.	.	.	Carpenter
Whipple, Albert C.	.	.	.	Bookkeeper
Willey, James A.	.	.	.	Agent

## Report of the Selectmen.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Selectmen present the following as their report and recommendations for the past year:

### **Atlantic Avenue.**

The Selectmen call attention to the following communication to the State Highway Commissioners:

Petition for an allotment under Chapter 47, Section 17 of the Revised Laws.

*To the Massachusetts Highway Commission:*

Respectfully represents the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott in the County of Essex, that the valuation of said Town exceeds the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000); that the average annual appropriations for the repairs of highways in said Town for the preceding five years—1903 to 1907, both inclusive,—is about \$10,000.

The Board of Selectmen of Swampscott respectfully petitions your Board to make an allotment to the Town of Swampscott for the purpose of aiding in the construction and repair of a highway in said Town called Atlantic avenue and extending from the easterly end of Orient street to the Marblehead line, a distance of about one mile and one-eighth. Said highway is a much travelled road and a part of the direct road between Lynn and Marblehead.

The Selectmen and Highway Surveyor will recommend at the annual March meeting of the Town of Swampscott that the

Town appropriate a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars for the repair and reconstruction of said highway, and your petitioners believe that the town will make that appropriation in addition to the regular annual appropriation of about \$10,000 for the repairs of highways.

The Selectmen and Highway Surveyor would request that the repairs be made in a manner to be approved by your Board, after an examination of the highway, and your petitioners do not desire that said Atlantic avenue shall become a State highway.

Your petitioners respectfully request that one-half the cost of the repairs and reconstruction of said highway, not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars, be appropriated and allotted by your Board in aid of the Town of Swampscott in the construction of said highway.

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen.*

Dated at Swampscott, Mass., Jan. 13, 1908.

BOSTON, Jan. 22, 1908.

DEAR SIRS: — In behalf of the Commission I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a petition from your Board, dated Jan. 13, for an allotment under the provisions of the "Small Town" Act, for the improvement of a portion of Atlantic avenue, so called, in the Town of Swampscott.

Yours truly,

A. B. FLETCHER, *Secretary.*

We are informed that the Highway Commission will be unable to reach any conclusion as to an allotment before April 1. The Selectmen would recommend that the Town appropriate a sum not to exceed seven thousand dollars for the work, and if an

allotment is made, the money will revert to the Treasury. The Board are particularly indebted to Mr. George E. Smith of Atlantic avenue for information given and services rendered in the above matter.

#### **Widening of Orient street.**

On April 13 the Selectmen met with the abutters interested in the widening of Orient street from about opposite the entrance to the estate of Charles W. Galloupe to Humphrey square and consulted in relation to the matter. It developed that two of the abutters had misunderstood the original plan and were not in harmony with the movement. As the parties interested and the Selectmen could not arrive at a mutual conclusion the Selectmen do not think it advisable to make any recommendations.

#### **Culvert Across Essex Street.**

During the past year the attention of the Board was called to the condition of the old culvert under Essex street near the Salem line. The stone work had become unsafe and the opening obstructed. As this was a natural water course, arrangements were made with representatives of the Pickman Park Realty Co., for its entire reconstruction, they to bear one-half the expense. The work was completed at a cost of \$75 to the Town.

#### **Danvers Street Improvement.**

At the junction of Danvers and Essex streets, on the boundary line of the land of Daniel J. Myers and the Town, the old retaining wall placed there by reason of the Town's raising the grade of Danvers street had become dangerous to travel because of its falling down in places and allowing the gravel walk to cave. Mr. Myers, in calling the attention of the Board to the matter, suggested that if the Town would rebuild the wall, he would deed to the town a narrow strip of land on Essex street, now used by the Town to strengthen the boundary line. If Mr. Myers had fenced in the land properly belonging to him it would have necessitated moving the curbing into the street about six feet and changing the flag-stone crossing to the Cemetery gate.

The Board thought favorable of the suggestion and arranged with Mr. Myers to rebuild the wall. The cost of the work was \$150 and the deed of the land given is in the hands of the Selectmen.

#### Continuous Sidewalks.

During the past year considerable work in this department has been done. The Board think that money expended on this work is in the right direction, and we would recommend that an appropriation of \$1,000 be made to carry on the work the current year. We have read the recommendations in the Highway Surveyer's Report as to where work should be done the coming year and are favorable to the same.

#### Stacey Brook.

(COPY.)

#### King's Beach Res., Plan.

March 12, 1907.

*John Woodbury, Esq., Secretary Metropolitan Park Commission:*

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with order No. 2461 the following estimates of cost of reconstruction of outlet for Stacey brook have been prepared:

To construct reinforced concrete extension of the present culvert for about 40 feet from the face of the sea wall, of such strength as will be required to withstand the action of the sea, I estimate will cost about \$2,655.

To replace the old wooden box culvert with new work, for a distance of about 40 feet from the face of the wall, I estimate will cost about \$400.

I recommend that the box culvert be built at this time, as it is not definitely known that by extending about 40 feet the end would not fill up as it does now, and if this seems to be the proper length the permanent construction could be put in at

some future time when the box has been destroyed. I think that it is probable that a wooden box would last from 5 to 10 years, perhaps longer.

Yours truly,

(Signed) J. R. RABLIN,

*Engineer.*

Secretary's Order No. 2,461  
Engineer's Order No. 2,997 } Partial.

We recommend that this matter be referred to the Sewer Commissioners with power to act, and that an appropriation for the same be made.

#### Claim of John G. Stanley.

Several years ago when the tracks of the street railway were raised along Humphrey street, arrangements for a new grade of the sidewalk in front of the property of Mr. Stanley were not made. The sidewalk has remained at its original grade to which Mr. Stanley objects.

The Board has consulted with him, and have had a plan made of proposed changes.

The custom in such matters are for the abutters to waive claims for damage upon plans submitted before the Selectmen recommend an appropriation for changes. This Mr. Stanley refuses to do, signifying that when the work is done he will pass his opinion as to its acceptability. Under these conditions the Selectmen are unable to make any recommendations.

#### Ambulance

We are acquainted with the recommendations of the Chief of Police on this subject, and while we do not fully indorse the same, we recommend an appropriation for its care and maintenance.

#### Fire Alarm Bell.

The Chief of the Fire Department and the Selectmen appointed as a committee at the annual Town Meeting, made a contract

with the Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. to install a bell at the Phillips Beach Chemical House. This has been done at the amount of the appropriation \$875.

The installing of this bill has given general satisfaction to the residents in that vicinity.

#### Marshall Brook.

After assuming office the Board were presented with a bill by M. McDonough, approved by the Board of Health, which was refused payment the previous year, for building the culvert bordering the estates of Mrs. Sarah Marshall and Mr. George T. Melzard. On advice of counsel the bill was paid. Also on advice of counsel one-third of the cost of the same was assessed Mrs. Marshall and Mr. Melzard. Both parties have taken exceptions to this arrangement and the matter is now in the hands of our attorneys.

#### Cemetery.

According to recommendations made in last year's report relating to the plotting of the entire land owned by the Town for Cemetery purposes, the Board employed Mr. Clarence B. Humphrey of this Town who has presented a plan to the Selectmen. The Board while admiring the same have asked that a few changes be made which Mr. Humphrey will do in the near future. There are about twenty-five lots available at the present time. We recommend that the Town take some action toward increasing this number the coming year, and that an appropriation for the same be made.

#### Beuna Vista Street.

On the old lay out of Beuna Vista street we find the present road is about forty feet from the original lines at one point. Should Mr. Greenleaf fence in the land that he owns at this point, the street as constructed would be about ten feet in the clear. Mr. Greenleaf now offers to exchange land at no cost to the Town for the purpose of relocating, and also offers to give land for the continuance of Crescent street from Elliott to Beuna Vista street. We recommend that this matter be referred to the incoming Board for action.

**Claims Against the Town**

In the matter of the claim of W. H. Carroll, no report has been rendered by the Auditor before whom the matter has been heard.

The claim of Sisk Bros. is in the hands of the Town Counsel. The claim of Michael Haley is still pending.

**Contracts.**

Repairs at Police Station—Gilbert Delano, \$40; George H. Doane, \$38.50; W. J. Waters, \$37.50. Awarded Waters, later awarded Doane.

Culvert across Essex street—James T. Lyons, \$150. No other bidder.

Concrete—J. H. McLaughlin, 43c. yard. No other bid.

Coal—B. O. Honors & Son—Egg and Broken, \$6.25; Cumberland, \$4.50.

Printing Town Reports—Thomas P. Nichols & Sons, \$1.45 per page; G. H. & A. L. Nichols, \$1.30 per page; Salem Press, \$1.29 per page. Frank S. Whitten, \$1.25 per page. Awarded to Whitten.

After consulting the various boards the following amounts are recommended as appropriations for the current year:

Highway . . . . .	. \$12,000
School { General, \$33,000 }	
{ Repairs, 7,000 }	. . . . . 40,000
Selectmen's . . . . .	. . . . . 6,000
Poor . . . . .	. . . . . 2,400
Police . . . . .	. . . . . 6,500
Fire . . . . .	. . . . . 9,000
Library . . . . .	. . . . . 800
Street Lights . . . . .	. . . . . 10,000
Cemetery . . . . .	. . . . . 1,000
Sidewalks . . . . .	. . . . . 800
Town Hall . . . . .	. . . . . 1,400
Crushing stone . . . . .	. . . . . 2,000
Catch Basins and Gutters . . . . .	. . . . . 1,000

Curbstone . . . . .	500
Resetting Curbstones . . . . .	400
Memorial Day . . . . .	200
Care Monument Lot . . . . .	35
Tree Warden . . . . .	350
Street Watering . . . . .	3,500
Water Rates . . . . .	1,300
Health . . . . .	4,500
Soldier's Relief . . . . .	2,400
Park . . . . .	2,000
Care Brooks . . . . .	300
Assessors . . . . .	1,500
Care Snow . . . . .	1,500
State Tax (estimated) . . . . .	16,000
County Tax (estimated) . . . . .	12,000
Interest (estimated) . . . . .	6,800
Interest Sewer Bonds . . . . .	7,000
Sewer Maintenance . . . . .	5,000
Sewer Bonds . . . . .	4,600

As the work of the Town Treasurer has greatly increased, we recommend that a separate appropriation be made for his department, so that he can have assistance, and the needs of the office better cared for.

We would recommend that the salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures be \$60, so that a fair compensation may be received by him for measuring and marking jars.

We again call attention to the fact that the Town owns practically no sidewalk at the junction of Essex and Burrill streets, and we would recommend an appropriation of \$100 for the purchase of land and the carrying out of this improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

## Report of the School Committee.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

During the year ending January 31, 1908, the School Committee applied itself assiduously to the task of securing for the Town the best results possible with the funds placed at its disposal. Though confronted with many perplexing problems during the year the committee feels justified in stating that it has administered the affairs of the schools with strict impartiality and for the best interests of all the people of the Town.

Though the new Clarke school building has been but recently added to the Town's facilities for properly housing the school children the committee has had no easy task to so distribute the pupils as to bring them all within reasonable access to their homes. That Swampscott is a rapidly growing Town may be gathered from the fact that the number of school children registered last fall numbered over one hundred more than the previous year. This is more than enough to fill two rooms.

The greatest problem of last year was perhaps the many demands made for extensive repairs and alterations. The Essex street school building was fitted with sanitaries at an expense of nearly \$2,000 and nearly as large an amount would have been expended at the Beach school building had not the Board of Health kindly consented to suspend its order for another year. As much of its funds as it could possibly spare was expended by the School Committee in necessary repairs and alterations, and yet but very little of what should have been done was accomplished.

All of the wooden buildings are badly in need of paint, both

inside and out. If the Beach School building is to be used about \$3,000 will have to be expended upon it in order to meet with the requirements of the Board of Health and the increasing demands of the School Department. At the Phillips School building it is conservatively estimated that about \$3,000 will have to be expended to make such alterations and repairs as have been needed badly for several years. The school property is running down and unless prompt action is taken there will not be much of anything to repair in a few years.

The annual appropriations have not been sufficient to make repairs as they have been needed and in consequence only such work as could not be avoided has been done. This year the committee recommends a special appropriation of \$7,000 for the purpose of making a large amount of much needed repairs and alterations. It is not economy to allow the school property to deteriorate.

Next September the School Committee will undoubtedly be greatly perplexed in making adequate provision for housing the increased number of pupils. The Redington and Essex Street School buildings will probably have to be used for some years to come, notwithstanding their many objectionable features, but the Beach and Farm Schools should be abolished and a modern four room building be substituted, the location of which should be such as to take care of the pupils of both these schools. The School Committee recommends that a four room wooden school building be constructed this year.

Through the generosity of Henry B. Sprague the School Committee was enabled to inaugurate a new departure in school work and last September opened a manual training department at the High school. Four modern lathes, a dozen fully equipped benches of the most approved style for school work, complete sets of tools, a motor, shafting and other equipment were installed in a commodious room in the basement of the building. This department was a success from the start and will be enlarged as rapidly as the funds of the School Committee will allow. The entire cost of the equipment was sustained by Mr. Sprague, who with Prof. Elihu Thomson, manifested a

most public spirited interest in giving the members of the School Committee much of his time and advice.

The cost of operating the new manual training department amounted last year to a sum which will equal about \$600 annually, the instructor of this department spending two days of each week in the Town. In addition to his instruction the supervisor of drawing is called upon to give instruction in mechanical drawing. This is a most important department of the school work and every effort will be made by the school committee to increase its value.

It is the earnest desire of the school committee to give the Town of Swampscott as good schools as may be found in any other town in the State and the board thoroughly believes that it will receive the sincere support of the Town's people in its efforts to attain this end. The support that it has received from many directions has been most gratifying and will serve to encourage the committee to further effort.

The work of the teaching force, in the face of many difficulties, has been very gratifying to the School Committee. As a whole it has been loyal and the results which have been obtained have been very satisfactory. A new administration was inaugurated at the High School in September and the board feels assured that within a very few years the work at this school will be on a plane with any other High School in the State.

Perfect harmony has existed between the members of the School Committee, the superintendent, the principals and the teachers. This condition has been of great assistance in pursuing effective work and the many new departures of a minor nature have been inaugurated without the slightest friction.

S. PERRY CONGDON, *Chairman,*  
ARTHUR W. STUBBS,  
DR. HOWARD K. GLIDDEN,

*Members of the School Committee.*

## REPORT OF SECRETARY OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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*To the Members of the School Committee:*

The accounts of the School Department have been carefully kept during the past year and at the close of the fiscal year, January 31, 1908, showed the following financial condition, the figures of last year being given for comparison :

RECEIPTS.				
Balance on hand, February 1, 1907 . . . . .		\$2,414	52	
Reverted to the Town Treasury in March,		193	15	
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Balance . . . . .		\$2,221	37	
March appropriation . . . . .		32,000	00	
Receipts . . . . .		43	96	
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Total . . . . .		\$34,265	33	
EXPENSES.				
	1906.	1907.		
Salaries . . . . .	\$22,916	12	\$22,815	00
Books . . . . .	1,374	31	1,054	83
Supplies . . . . .	1,328	74	1,312	79
Light . . . . .	23	09	58	83
Miscellaneous . . . . .	322	12	582	11
Repairs, cleaning . . . . .	894	87	3,320	71
Furniture, furnishings, . . . . .	1,396	63	437	22
Fuel . . . . .	1,976	35	2,366	36
Printing . . . . .	149	55	184	95
Insurance . . . . .	541	00	121	01
Water . . . . .	262	00	311	50
Rent . . . . .	450	00		
Tuition . . . . .		60	00	
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	\$31,634	78	\$32,625	31
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Balance on hand February 1, 1908			\$1,640	02

While the salary item apparently shows a decrease over the year previous there was in reality an increase last year. The apparent discrepancy is due to the fact that the salaries during all of last year were divided into ten equal payments while the year previous two months' salaries were paid in June and two in September. Next year the comparison will show exactly the increase.

The great increase in the item of repairs is due almost entirely to the expense of installing sanitaries in the Essex Street School and the necessary work which had to be done at the Phillips School building in order to provide suitable quarters for the manual training department. Considerable expense was also incurred by raising the ventilating pipes at the Phillips School building in order that proper ventilation might be secured.

The furniture item was considerably less last year as the equipment of the Clarke School building is included in the year before.

ARTHUR W. STUBBS,

*Secretary.*

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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*To the School Committee of the Town of Swampscott:*

I herewith submit my second annual report for the fiscal year ending January 1, 1908.

### School Accommodations.

At the beginning of the present fiscal year our schools were housed in twenty rooms, comprising twenty-six grades with an average of forty pupils in each room. The increased attendance at the High School at the opening of the schools last September, together with extra work entailed by the new course of study, necessitated the removal of one of the grades from the High School building. Mrs. Owen was transferred to the Redington Street building, in charge of the fifth grade, and the entering class at the High School was seated in the former sixth grade room, that grade being transferred to the fifth grade room. Owing to the limited accommodations at the Beach and Farm Schools, as well as to the increased attendance at these schools, the third grade pupils were transferred to the Redington Street School, leaving these schools with only first and second grades. Increased attendance in the fourth grades necessitated the transfer of the pupils of that grade from Essex street to the Clarke and Redington Street Schools and the placing of a fourth grade at Essex street in charge of Miss Verry.

But even these transfers did not relieve the congestion in some rooms as I hoped it would do, and I was forced to place two grades (the second and third) in one room at Redington street, in charge of Miss Prescott and Miss Gardner. The crowded condition here, however, was relieved somewhat by equipping an

old unused cloak room for recitation purposes. Under the present arrangement the Clarke School is overcrowded, three of the rooms having more pupils than their normal seating capacity; while at the Essex Street School the first grade is overcrowded, and at the Redington street building the fourth and fifth grades have too many pupils. This lays an extra burden on our teachers and lessens the opportunity for real efficient work. I shall have more to say on this point later in this report.

#### Equipment and Repairs.

The annual visitation of the buildings by your Committee early in July convinced you that there was urgent need of repairs in several of the buildings. I am gratified that my recommendation in my last report for modern toilet facilities at Essex street has been acted upon. The removal of the old cess-pool closets and the installation of modern plumbing in the basement of that building have added to the comfort and healthful surroundings of the pupils. The repairs in the boys closets at the Phillips School have removed the nuisance which formerly existed and the repairs to the ventilating shafts in that building have greatly improved the ventilation and heating.

In the matter of equipment the Committee have made marked improvement. The Chemical and Physical laboratories have been supplied with much needed apparatus, a library room has been fitted-up in the High School, two new type-writers have been added to the Commercial department and a considerable amount of Drawing equipment has been purchased. At the Clarke School a reference library table has been installed in the eighth grade room and a new Century Dictionary and Cyclopedias and other reference books have been purchased.

#### Gifts. .

Last summer the Superintendent received from the Women's Club of Swampscott a check for fifteen dollars to be used in purchasing decorations for our schools. This money has been spent for pictures and two plaster casts for the Farm and Beach Schools. Other gifts in the way of pictures have been made

by several individuals and in addition the beauty and cheerfulness of the school rooms have been greatly improved through the combined efforts of teachers and pupils. In several of the schools cake and candy sales were held last spring and the money from these sales has been used for the purchase of many valuable pictures and useful reference books. The Women's Relief Corps has presented each school with silk flags to be used for interior decoration.

Several people have asked the Superintendent why so much energy is spent in trying to equip the schools with things which are not directly used in school work. He replies to such inquirers with this question. "Why have any decorations in your own home?" Much could be said here of the need of making our schoolrooms attractive and homelike, but a sober thinking public knows the value of the influence on boys and girls of cheerful, artistic surroundings. May we continue to enjoy the generosity of our townspeople along this line.

#### Manual Training.

The most notable gift to the Swampscott schools, and one which will have a lasting effect on the efficiency of our schools in meeting the educational needs of the community, was the presentation by Mr. Henry B. Sprague, of \$1,000 for the equipment of a Manual Training department in the High School. It is difficult to estimate the value of such philanthropy for it cannot be measured by the standard of dollars and cents. For a town situated as Swampscott is, in close proximity to a large manufacturing city where many of our boys obtain employment in the factories, the value of a training which will give them greater facility in the use of hands, eyes and brain, must be apparent to all. Such instruction gives opportunity for the development of the individuality of the pupil and in this way has an educational value. The boy is trained to do in his own way the task set before him, and gains valuable experience from his own mistakes. One learns to do things through his endeavor to correct his errors. The power to think should go hand in hand with the effort to do. Manual Training affords such

freedom of thought. If the work is made too mechanical the pupil becomes a mere copying machine. Independent thought and action tend to make one equal to an emergency when it comes. It is such qualities which make strong and able men.

In our new course of study we have closely related the work of manual training to other studies, so that pupils electing the manual training course will receive a broad general education as in any regular High School course. Our aim is not to produce mechanics but to help the pupils to acquire skill in any problem undertaken through the combined training of the eye, hand and brain. The time has come when we no longer claim that school training must concern itself exclusively with books. Manual training readily lends itself to pedagogical training. In it the active mind of the pupil finds material for creating higher ideals for the hand to execute. And with the skill which is required self-activity goes hand in hand. The pupil is left free to originate, and to carry out independently, his own undertaking. This trains the pupil in habits of industry and self-reliance. This is what makes manual training an educative process.

We confidently look for the hearty endorsement of Mr. Sprague's generous endeavor by the people of Swampscott. We feel sure that it will be a strong factor in placing our High School among the first in the State, and we expect that this added course of study will not only increase the attendance at our High School but that it will greatly increase the efficiency and value of our High School as a part of our public school system.

#### High School.

There is urgent need of a better appreciation of the High School and its work, on the part of the townspeople. Too many boys and girls fail to take advantage of their opportunities, in their desire to earn a few dollars. The High School is as much a part of the public school system as is the grammar school. The fact that it has a separate name and that its work is carried on in a building of its own, leads many people to think that it has no claims upon them for support.

The new course of study is similar to that of other cities and towns and covers a period of five years. This time added to the grammar school course makes thirteen years of schooling for our boys and girls. If pupils enter at the age of five or six they should under normal conditions complete the entire school course at the age of eighteen or nineteen. This is not too late in life to begin work if boys and girls do not contemplate further study, and it is the average age at which students begin a technical or University course. The High School is a part of our State School system. To many it is a finishing school; to a few it is a preparatory school. The need of a High School course of study in either case is too apparent to need comment. All higher institutions of learning have raised the requirements for entrance to such a standard that five years is not any too much time to take for preparation. On the other hand, it is now practically impossible for a young man to enter upon a business career with any hope of success, unless he be equipped with a High School education or its equivalent. In business the trained man has a decided advantage over his untrained competitor. If the business office work taken up, be that of bookkeeper or stenographer, there is need of a wide range of learning including a thorough knowledge of English. Business houses are now seeking students who have taken the High School course. In every avenue of life, in fact, the need of better equipment becomes more and more evident.

Our High School offers this education. It opens up opportunities in various lines. Parents make a great mistake when they do not appreciate this fact. For those who are not able to go to college, courses have been arranged to suit their needs. The commercial course provides work of an academic as well as of a practical nature, again the course of study provides work in manual training and mechanical drawing so that a boy who hopes to take up the study of engineering or architecture will have something to his liking at home.

It may be that the High School does not do all that it should. It is admitted that it has its shortcomings. Our efforts are being expended in trying to remedy the wrong conditions which now

exist. Many of these we cannot reach without the aid of the parents. The school and the home must act in conjunction, for in such co-operation lies the remedy for many of the troubles.

The High School course of study is planned for the best development of the pupils and has been carefully prepared by those in charge. A closer knowledge on the part of parents, of the requirements of the school will aid in solving many difficulties. The teacher and parents must be co-workers. It is the earnest desire of those in authority to do the best possible for the pupils entrusted to their care.

#### Teachers.

The teachers in our schools constitute a body of men and women who are earnest in their endeavor, honest in their purpose, zealous and progressive in their work, and determined in their effort to serve the schools in the best interest of the pupils and the public at large. Since the publication of our last report there have been a few changes in the list. Miss Miller resigned to accept a position at an increased salary in Los Angeles. Miss Gardner returned to the work in September after two and a half years' absence on leave. Miss Dorothy Jasinsky has been elected to the first grade at the Essex Street School, and Miss Elsie Hussey has taken Miss Miller's place in the sixth grade, Phillips School. In the High School several changes have taken place: Mr. Harold W. Loker of Needham succeeded Mr. Childs as principal, Miss Dunning resigned to continue her studies abroad; Miss Ingalls is absent on leave and is studying at Boston University; the new teachers are Miss Sarah Bell for the Commercial work; Miss Alice Haskell, Mathematics; Miss Lilian Smith, English; and Mr. Eastwood, Manual training. The work of supervision has been improved by the appointment of Miss Mabel Lowery, formerly a teacher in the first grade at Essex street, as supervisor of Drawing.

We have an excellent corps of teachers. It is not a wise policy to allow good teachers to leave us for other places when a few dollars more salary might keep them with us. After all that is said and done the fact remains that the teacher makes the

school. Several of our teachers have contemplated leaving us for better salaries elsewhere. This fact leads me to advise you that the question of an increase in the salaries of our teachers must receive your attention at an early date if you hope to have the services of good, trained teachers in our schools. The demand upon teachers for living expenses increase each year. It is not right to expect them to meet these on a low grade of salaries.

#### Course of Study.

The course of study for the Grammar Schools has been carefully prepared and printed for the following subjects:—Arithmetic, Language, Geography, History and Music. Outlines are ready for the printer in Spelling, Drawing, Nature Study and Literature, and the teachers are at work on a course of study in Reading. Each subject has been outlined and suggestions have been made covering the general development of the subject. No effort has been made to prescribe what should be done from day to day,—as such detail should be left to the ingenuity of the teacher. Stress has been laid on what is essential as distinguished from the non-essential. Every course of study should pave the way for the development of the teacher's originality, and should be for her a background on which she is to build the structure of a complete system of training in each subject. While definite assignment of work will often prove convenient, it is not intended to limit the scope of the work to be done by any school, nor to dictate the manner and method of instruction. Local conditions and the individual needs of pupils will often necessitate important omissions or additions. Teachers are expected first of all to consider the capacities and needs of their pupils, and are at liberty to make such modifications of the minor requirements of the program as their judgment demands.

Although the course is arranged by grades, teachers are expected to familiarize themselves with the work outlined in each subject in the grades adjacent to their own. Teachers should study the course as a whole, and endeavor to see their work in its relation to the complete course instead of viewing each grade's work as a unit.

The greatest and final aim of all public education is to inoculate the pupils with ideas of our civilization. Whatever else they do, all teachers should at all times, devote their best energy to establishing in the minds of their pupils high ideals of conduct, industry, beauty and right living. The best aids for this work cannot be given in a course of study. They are abundantly supplied by the realms of nature literature and art.

Truly efficient teachers will familiarize themselves with the principles underlying a modern course of study. They will study the works of such leaders as Foebel, Pestaloyzi, Spencer, Horace Mann and Harris. They will read the current works on Education, and they will know what is going on in the way of educational development in other cities and towns. Futhermore they will read one or two leading educational journals, and occasional articles appearing in the leading magazines. Such work will help teachers to bring new inspiration to their work, and will enable them better to interpret the full value to them of a course of study.

#### Discipline.

The spirit of our schools is excellent. We are constantly striving to bring teachers and parents into closer relations, for in this day which is marked by the rapid pace of public, family and child life, the best interest of our boys and girls can only be conserved by the harmonious working together of the home and school. Cases of pronounced incorrigibility open rebellion, stubbornness and evil propensities are being reduced to a minimum. Our teachers are rightly disposed toward the delinquencies of children. They are striving to magnify what is best in the child to repress and restrain evil, and to correct it by kindly suggestion. But such effort must be backed by kindred endeavor at home. Parents *must uphold the teacher's hands* in her efforts to correct a wrong propensity, or else the effort will be in vain and the result will be the defeat of all endeavors toward right conduct in our schools. There are always a few parents who wrongly interpret the teacher's purpose in discipline, but this number is rapidly decreasing. We are all working in our

schools toward the betterment of the physical, moral and intellectual condition of the boys and girls entrusted to our care. The teachers are not cranks and the superintendent is not a tyrant. All have only the best intentions and the children's best interests at heart. May we not be backed by the moral support of parents? We ask no more than just that.

#### Recommendations.

I respectfully beg permission to make the following brief recommendations to the Committee, and ask for them your most candid consideration.

*First:* The rules of the Committee need revision. A clear and definite statement of the rules governing our schools which could be placed in the hands of the parents would be a great help in correcting many wrong impressions which seem to prevail concerning the management of our schools and would relieve the superintendent of petty annoyances and details which should not encroach upon his time which is needed for professional supervision.

*Second:* The congested condition which prevails in several of our schools must be relieved. Furthermore the facilities for efficient work in the Farm and Beach Schools are wholly inadequate, due to the fact that these schools have outlived their usefulness. The districts are not too large, but the buildings are too small. This does not mean that two new buildings are needed. I recommend that these districts be consolidated, and that the Town be petitioned to build a new four-room building at some central point, which shall accommodate all children of the first four grades in that part of the town. Such a building of modern style, built on the Cottage plan, should not cost over \$12,000. You are already aware that the present buildings if continued as schools, must be thoroughly overhauled and put in a sanitary condition. In my opinion they are not worth the expenditure of repairs. It is not a cause of wonder to me that the parents of that part of the Town are dissatisfied with school conditions there. But for the fact that the schools are presided over by two exceptional teachers, our troubles would be greater

than they now are. I therefore beg you to give this matter your earnest consideration and I hope to see some favorable action taken toward the better housing of the children in these two districts.

*Third:* Minor repairs needing your attention are the following: An open drainage from the basement of the Clarke school; artificial lighting facilities installed in that building; the painting of the rooms in the Essex Street and the Redington Street Schools; improvement of the yards at Essex street and Redington street, and the removal of the old fences from the front of these buildings; some means devised for the removal of ashes from the basement of the Redington Street building; painting the exterior of all wooden buildings.

*Fourth:* Redington street and Essex street should be equipped with telephones, and a telephone is greatly needed in the Superintendent's office. At present the Superintendent must go to the Police Station to use the telephone or answer calls.

*Fifth:* Some arrangement is greatly needed at the High School for storing the supplies of the Drawing Supervisor. A saving of material as well as of the time of the teacher will be made if a store room is provided.

*Sixth:* The Superintendent is convinced that a revision of our list of text-books will not only benefit the work, but will save much money.

*Seventh:* I have spoken elsewhere about the teachers' salaries. I firmly believe that it is due our teachers that you favorably consider the question of an increase of salaries.

*Seventh:* We have been troubled this year to find substitute teachers when needed to take the work of teachers who have been obliged to be absent from their work. If we had an extra teacher who could be constantly employed as helper in the crowded grades we could assign her when needed to take the work of teachers who may be absent on account of sickness. Such a plan would not entail very much extra expense and would very materially improve the work in the crowded rooms, at the same time that it would provide a supply teacher when needed.

**Conclusion.**

The work of the year has had many interruptions due to a great deal of absence on account of sickness, but notwithstanding we have every reason to feel encouraged with the progress made. The teachers as a whole have worked earnestly and deserve much credit for their efforts. In general there has been unity of purpose and harmony throughout the year. To the interest and devotion of all is due much that has been accomplished.

I trust that, from the experience of the past, the work of the coming year may be made more profitable to all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. PELO,

*Superintendent.*

**Report of the Principal of the High School.**

*Mr. William J. Pelo, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—I herewith respectfully submit my first annual report of the condition of the High School.

It is a difficult task on assuming charge of a new high school, with long established customs and traditions, to make changes which will meet with the approval of everybody. It is sometimes difficult to show why certain reformations should take place and at the same time avoid the appearance of under estimating the value of the methods and customs of a previous regime. I shall, however, endeavor to cast no reflections upon the past. I shall only aim to point out some of the few changes which have been introduced, and call your attention to some of the necessary, desired improvements in order to make the Swampscott High School take that position among the secondary schools of this state which the citizens of this Town should desire.

**Course of Study.**

During the latter part of July, a new course of study was prepared, and copies were sent to all the members of the school. This course of study, prepared with all pains and care that the limited time would admit of, has met with good results. While allowing the pupils the privilege of pursuing an elective course, it will tend to keep them in some well defined line of study, and when they have completed their course of study, they should have acquired sufficient training to fit them well for business or college work.

The new course of study calls for more intensive work in almost every branch. This is especially so in English, mathematics, and the business course studies. English is a required study throughout the entire course, and in that time a pupil should have acquired the ability to write good simple English with a considerable degree of correctness. He should be able to stand on his feet and discuss the author's thought and meaning

without murdering the English language. The great stress which we are laying on this subject is beginning to show favorable results and we are hopeful as to the outcome. The study of mathematics is required through elementary algebra. The present teachers of this subject are confronted with a woeful state of affairs. To say the least, it appears to have been sadly neglected. The review classes in algebra, which, it would be supposed, had acquired some elementary knowledge of the subject as far as quadratics, have only partially completed fractions in a superficial manner. We shall be obliged to give extra periods to these classes for the next two years in order to cover properly the necessary amount of ground. In the business course, commercial geography, commercial law, penmanship, correspondence, and spelling have been added to the curriculum and the amount of attention given to commercial arithmetic, bookkeeping, and typewriting has been increased. There is no reason why any pupil who wishes to pursue a business course should not acquire his training in his own high school. It is a shame for any boy or girl on graduating from the Grammar school to enter a business college, when they can secure not only that same business course but a far greater general education in their own High School.

The system of marking has been changed to a percentage basis and is meeting with general satisfaction. Examinations or short tests are held regularly every eight weeks. These papers are kept on file in the principal's office and serve to keep the principal closely in touch with the work of both teachers and pupils.

There is a large number of pupils who are carrying on their work with the intention of fitting for some higher institution. Of those who are now spending their last year in the High School, two will in September, enter the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, two will enter Tufts college, one, Boston University, and two the Salem Normal. It is probable that from the Junior class an equally large number will enter college. In this connection, I will call your attention to the fact that the High School has been granted the privilege of sending pupils to the

State Normal School on certificate. Certificates will, however, be granted to pupils for those studies only in which they have attained a rank of 80 per cent. The certificate privilege granted by the New England College Board has never been enjoyed by this school. However, it is hoped that it will soon be secured. The new course of study, which requires more intensive work in the several branches, will, we trust, soon win recognition.

#### Harmony and Co-operation.

A harmonious corps of teachers is of prime importance in securing good results. We are all engaged in working for the same end, and whatever tends to promote good scholarship and good discipline should meet with earnest co-operation on the part of all. Petty jealousies among teachers, criticisms of one teacher by another, disparaging statements concerning the school and school management should be laid aside by teachers in an effort to build up a strong "esprit de corps."

On the part of the pupils, I should like to see greater enthusiasm. The general discipline of the school is good and the tone of the school is good, but there is lacking that spirit of enthusiasm which brings success. I wish I could see strong enthusiastic rivalry among the pupils; striving to excel one another in studies, athletics, and in everything which enters into school life.

From the parents we surely need co-operation. In no better way can they become acquainted with conditions than to visit the school and meet the teachers, who have charge of their sons and daughters a large part of the day. To the parents I appeal for the heartiest co-operation in helping the teachers to secure well-prepared home lessons, constant and punctual attendance.

#### School Activity.

We welcome in school life anything which tends to promote school loyalty, and so school athletics has its just and proper sphere. During the past year, an athletic association has been formed in the school, which will have general control over athletics. The requirements for membership on the school teams

has been made the same as that in the schools of neighboring towns. Hereafter no pupil will be allowed to represent the school in any athletic contest, unless he is doing satisfactory work in studies aggregating at least sixteen hours per week. Scholarship and supremacy in athletics should go hand in hand. We must have scholarship at any cost, but it is possible to have both scholarship and athletics, if the necessary enthusiasm can be aroused.

The social side of High School life should not be neglected. School or class parties and entertainments have their proper place. This affords an opportunity for pupils and teachers to meet, feed from the associations and environments of the classroom. I do not wish, least of all at this time, to appear to dictate what form these entertainments shall take. However, the conduct of all present should be adapted rather to the drawing room than to the playground. It should be an occasion where there is an opportunity to both learn and practice good etiquette.

#### School Library.

The small room adjoining the principal's office has been converted into a library. The number of book-cases has been increased, and here have been placed all the reference books of the school. A card-catalogue has been secured and in a few weeks it is hoped that the books will be numbered and catalogued. Many new books for reference are greatly needed to which I shall call your attention at another time.

#### Manual Training.

The introduction of manual training is a step in the right direction. A two years' course in carpentry and wood-turning is now offered to pupils of the freshman and sophomore classes. A room in the basement has been given up to this work and has been furnished with an equipment which, for quality and style, can not be surpassed. Twenty-five pupils elected the subject this year, while the number next year will probably be about forty. The interest taken by the pupils in this work is very

gratifying, and the results have more than equalled expectations, considering the fact that nothing is done in this subject in the grades.

#### Needed Equipment.

Science has made wonderful progress in the last few years, and increased attention to this study is being given in High Schools. The small building in the rear of the High School, which is used for a general laboratory for physics, chemistry, and biology, is totally inadequate to the present needs of the school. It is inaccessible, too small, not suitably heated, and insufficiently equipped. There is an imperative need of separate and suitably equipped physical and chemical laboratories with supply closets and a small recitation room adjoining the laboratories. I ask you to lay this matter before the committee with a request that some provision be made for the same before the beginning of another school year.

The increased attention given to business courses in other schools, as well as in our own, entails the need of suitable rooms and equipment. A class in bookkeeping needs the atmosphere created by a room furnished with some of the equipment of a business office or an accounting room. The best results can not be secured from a class in bookkeeping, seated on stools, arranged in a crowded manner about one long table. Some new arrangement will be necessary in a short time as the classes in this course give promise of increased size.

The classes in drawing are now conducted in the assembly hall. To meet partially the needs of the class in mechanical drawing twelve drawing tables have been purchased. There is still need of twelve more. I can not refrain from calling your attention to the difficulties under which a drawing teacher labors. The supplies at present, for want of a better place, are kept in an unfinished room which is not heated and is inaccessible. There is no running water in the room, nor even on that floor. There should at least be suitably constructed cabinets for keeping the drawing-boards, drawing instruments, and supplies, placed near at hand in order to facilitate the work in this department.

No up-to-date High School without a program clock and a system of synchronizing clocks in the separate recitation rooms. A great deal of time and inconvenience is now occasioned by the principal or some teacher's being required to ring the bells at the beginning and the close of every recitation. The clocks in the various rooms can not be kept together without constant regulation. The variation of a minute or two in these clocks causes annoyance and confusion. When it is possible to install a program clock with this system of synchronizing clocks, which will automatically ring the bells in all the rooms at any desired time, and also keep these clocks running in unison, the matter of expense should be considered of little importance. The gain in convenience and good discipline will more than compensate for the outlay.

Some time ago, I suggested to you the desirability of having a number of informal talks given before the school by men of prominence in the professions and various activities of life. In many towns this need is met by lecture courses conducted by public subscription or through the co-operation of village improvement societies. I hope we shall be successful in securing several speakers to address the school before the close of the school year.

Finally, I wish to extend to the school committee my most sincere appreciation for their interest in the school and their hearty co-operation. To you, personally, I acknowledge my gratitude for your wise counsel and strong support in my labors.

Yours respectfully,

HAROLD W. LOKER.

**Clarke School.**

*Mr. William J. Pelo, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—The annual report of the Clarke School is herewith presented:

The attendance has been so great in several classes that individual instruction, so essential, has been impossible.

Sickness has retarded progress somewhat, especially in the lower grades.

Since the "Course of Study" was prescribed, it has been followed as carefully as possible.

Considering the general deficiency of the classes in rapid and accurate mathematics, it was thought wise to inaugurate a system of short, mental drills in rapid calculation, which has met with encouraging results.

In reading, in which the pupils in general have been ordinarily good, the average has been maintained, while in writing there has been a marked improvement.

During the year a cake and candy sale has been held in the school building, and in the Town Hall an Operetta has been given by the seventh and eighth, assisted by pupils from other grades.

Seventy-three dollars were realized from the sale, and approximately forty-two dollars from the Operetta.

This money has been expended in purchasing decorations and reference books, of which there is as yet an inadequate supply. Some books, a reference table, and a Century Dictionary, provided by the School Board, have been beneficial to, and appreciated by, the pupils.

Out of twenty-five pupils who were graduated in June, twenty are attending the High School, and one has entered Burdett Business College.

The teachers are all earnestly striving to fit each child for moral, useful, and intelligent citizenship.

FRANCES A. GOULD.

**Phillips School.**

*Mr. W. J. Pelo, Supt. of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.:*

DEAR SIR,—With few exceptions, the relations between pupils and teachers are very harmonious; few rules are made, and orders are readily obeyed. Nearly all show interest in their work, and pride in accomplishment of tasks.

In the sixth grade improvement has been made in arithmetic; language and spelling show need of greater attention.

In the seventh and eighth, language, history and geography show better results than arithmetic.

So few errors in spelling are found in the written work of the eighth, as compared with former years, I am sure that good work must have been done in the lower grades.

All the rooms need adjustable desks and chairs.

Political maps, an encyclopedia, and other books for reference would make the work much easier for both pupils and teachers.

Respectfully yours,

ELIZABETH J. HADLEY.

*Mr. William J. Pelo, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—The Redington Street School opened with an enrollment of nearly two hundred pupils and corps of five teachers.

Miss Gardner and Miss Prescott share one room which seats sixty-four second and third grade pupils. On account of the crowded condition there, a small recitation room has been furnished to accommodate one of the classes during recitation periods. The scheme is working as well as can be expected, but to obtain best results each teacher should have her class in her own room.

There is one drawback to our progress and that is the crowded conditions in the room of which I have just spoken and of the large number, fifty-one, enrolled in the fourth grade. Some relief must be planned before another fall as our enrollment without doubt, will be even larger another year. It is impossible to get best results when the classes are so large.

We had watched with great interest the progress made in schools where departmental work had been tried, and with your consent and approval we decided to test it at Redington street. The advantages of departmental work are three-fold. First, it gives each teacher an opportunity to specialize. If it is successful and even considered necessary in High School work, why should it not be as helpful in primary and grammar work? It is an acknowledged fact that every teacher handles some subjects more skilfully than others and after five months' trial we feel at Redington Street that we can affirm it. Second, it gives each child an opportunity to come in contact with different personalities. This gives him a broader development and helps prepare him for High School work later. Third, the pupil's progress in each subject is watched from year to year by the teacher of that subject and his weak points once detected can be strengthened. With this system, the children and teachers become acquainted the first year, and the need of becoming acquainted with a new teacher each year is eliminated. We have worked out a program for the second, third, fourth, and fifth grades which follows the time schedule you have provided. Miss Gardner teaches the penmanship, Miss Prescott the music, Mrs. Owen the geography, and I have the language and grammar. Miss Gardner teaches all the arithmetic and spelling in the second and third grades, while Miss Prescott has the nature study, drawing and reading in the same grades. The fourth grade drawing is in charge of Mrs. Owen and Miss Gardner teaches one reading class in that grade. The remaining classes are taught by the regular teachers. As a teacher goes from grade to grade, a definite plan can be thought out and followed and so the four year's course in each subject is therefore a unit. It has been successful I am sure and next year we hope to see even better results as we will then begin a second year's work with each child.

The teachers appreciate very much the course of study which you have outlined for us. They are of great assistance in the planning and the carrying on of the work.

If an epidemic of measles had not seriously interrupted our work during November and December our classes would have completed this first half of the year's work with little difficulty. As it is, about one half of our two hundred children have lost from three to six weeks schooling. Aside from that the general health of the children has been good.

The yard is in great need of improvement as most of it needs a thick covering of gravel. Our school rooms would be cleaner and the janitor's work lessened if this could be done.

Our supply of reference books is small. We need particularly a good encyclopedia.

Mrs. Owen's room is greatly in need of pictures, at present there are none in that room.

The Woman's Relief Corps have kindly presented to the school three silk flags. The gift was very acceptable, as we now have a silk flag in every room.

I am very much pleased with the general atmosphere and spirit of good comradeship which exists at Redington street between teachers and pupils, for I believe it is a valuable aid to successful school work.

We wish to extend to you and the members of the School Committee our sincere thanks for the help which you have given us.

Very respectfully yours,

ALICE SHAW.

*Mr. William J. Pelo, Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—The Essex street building contains three grades, first, second and fourth, none of which are overcrowded. As the year advances progress is very noticeable and the amount of work required up to the present time has been accomplished. The teachers have been helped by the printed course of study and

are now carefully considering new courses of study for primary reading and the best books for supplementary reading in the grammar grades. It is necessary for the good of the school that the rooms be piped for gas and a telephone installed.

We respectfully call the attention of the committee to the dilapidated and untidy appearance of our rooms, this could be remedied by tinting the walls and whitening the ceilings.

Respectfully,

MABEL F. VERRY.

**Report of the Beach School.**

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Owing to the removal of the third grade, there has been much improvement in the work at the Beach School. Thirty-five pupils were registered in September, 1907, in the first and second grades, nineteen of whom are Italians.

The Swampscott Women's Club gave \$15 for pictures to the Farm and Beach Schools. As the needs at the Beach School were the greater, Miss Stanley very generously granted nearly the entire amount to be expended here. Therefore the Beach School has a beautiful copy of "The Madonna of the Chair," by Raphael, and a plaster cast of a "Bambino," by Della Robbia.

Does the Town realize the conditions existing at the Beach School? The black-boards are cracked and the paint is peeling and dropping from the walls and ceiling. The room is so dark on cloudy days that the regular work is seriously affected. Even by using the utmost care, the children's eyes are often strained in their efforts to do their work. The yard is in a bad condition; puddles, sometimes ankle deep, stand on each side of the building after a storm. If the Town cannot bear the expense which filling in would entail, plank-walks on each side would remedy this trouble, providing the walks were made high enough.

It would be worth while to alter these conditions even if the building is to be used only for another year. The schoolroom into which the child is introduced for the first time should be as bright and cheerful and artistic as the Town can afford to make it.

I have had no complaint concerning the sanitary conditions owing to Mrs. Maher's excellent care of everything connected with the school.

The courses of study have made the work easier, more systematic and more interesting; and aside from the discomforts which I have mentioned, this year at the Beach School has been very profitable and pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCH E. DOYLE.

Report of the Farm School.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

There has been marked improvement in all the work at the Farm School this year. This is due to the fact that instead of three grades, for so many years traditional to the school, Mr. Pelo has arranged for two.

Last year there were thirty-nine children crowded into a room that can accommodate but twenty-six. In order to do the required work with the second and third grades the first grade was obliged to be sent home an hour earlier in the morning and afternoon, giving them but three hours of school a day. Their work suffered greatly in consequence. The drill which they needed they could not have.

This year that difficulty is obviated by having two grades. The results in all branches of the work are very satisfactory. We have been able to remove several rows of desks giving opportunity for games and physical exercises.

Having a smaller school this year I have been able to give the children much individual attention. Several who would have

had to repeat the year without special help have been able to go on. This is especially true of the Italian children.

Two boys who came this country in the Spring, I could send into higher grades by giving them separate work in English. One of the boys is doing fourth grade work in arithmetic, thus covering in six months the work of three years. A girl who in September could speak no English is now doing second grade work in Arithmetic and I think can accomplish two years work in one. This shows the advantage of a small school.

The Farm School is a bright sunny room with beautiful pictures. This term a plaster cast of Andrea Della Robbia's Bambino from the Women's Club has added greatly to the attractiveness of the room and given pleasure to the children, especially the Italians. We have also had a new silk flag very kindly presented by the Women's Relief Corps.

It is impossible to expect, however, that this building which satisfied the needs of a school fifty years ago can meet the requirements of the present day. The heating is wholly inadequate. On cold days we cannot have school. There being no cellar the floor must necessarily be cold. The entries are not heated and the children have to put on cold clothes. The ventilation is hard to regulate because the room is so small that if the windows are open the wind blows directly upon the children.

The blackboards are in a very bad condition, not fit to be used and the walls with the same dingy paint of years ago, are a disgrace to the Town.

The children give the best they have to give in earnest effort to do their work well and the Town certainly owe them better accommodations than they have at present.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE C. STANLEY.

### Report of the Supervisor of Music.

*Mr. W. J. Pelo, Supt. of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.:*

DEAR SIR,—In accordance with your request I herewith submit to you my report for 1907.

The closing of the schools last June marked the end of a very successful half year of music study, and the graduation which occurred at that time and by which the work is often judged, seemed a fitting close. The musical numbers on the High School program were well rendered and many kind expressions of appreciation were heard from those present. The music at the Grammar School exercises was given by the combined seventh and eighth grades from both Grammar buildings. Considering the event was an entirely new feature the results were very gratifying, and the scholars showed evidences of interest during the long rehearsals which took place beforehand those warm days.

Beginning with the fall term the classes as a whole are doing good work, some exceptionally so. The latter conditions may be attributed to one or both of the following causes: First, a class composed largely of musical children, and second a teacher who has a natural ability for teaching music in the grades. In regard to further evidences of success, the departmental system has proved its efficiency in one school, and in this particular case where the music is in charge of one teacher, there is a marked uniformity in the work.

The new music books which were purchased in September, have been placed in the grades from the third to the sixth inclusive according to the previous ability of the classes. The books contain well arranged material suitable for all the branches of public school music which are taught in the grades. I find the new course of study has been carefully looked over, and it

will be of considerable help to each teacher. The outline has been so arranged to give each grade a definite proportion of the whole to be done in music. The new lesson slips have met with approval everywhere. In placing the lesson on the board, there is danger that it might be erased, and other schemes have been somewhat undesirable. Now the advanced lesson is written down upon two printed slips, one kept at the desk, and the other by the special teacher.

In the lowest grades the progress was retarded for a time on account of sickness among many of the little ones, but the work has continued along the lines of intervalle studies and easy exercises upon the chart, or written upon the blackboard in the different keys. One or two rote songs are always assigned at a lesson; and on special occasions, such as Christmas, the work consists almost entirely of songs.

In the other grades we endeavor to teach the fundamental principles of music reading. These principles are then applied by means of exercises and songs. Writing music from dictation has been given considerable attention. The classes show a great deal of interest in this branch of the work, and the results have been satisfactory.

In the higher grammar grades we encounter a familiar difficulty, namely,—the voices of the boys undergoing a change. This renders them incapable, for a time, of singing any particular part. Their range becomes limited and they commence to lose confidence in themselves. However, we have been very fortunate within the past few months, in finding a number of boys, whose voices have so far changed that we have been enabled to form a four-part chorus. By combining the seventh and eighth grades in one of the grammar buildings, during the music period, this arrangement has become very effective.

The High School is being treated as a Choral Society, and good work is being done. At this stage, the singers may put into practice the instruction that they have received in the grades. Further technical training is given to individual students as they require it; as, for instance, to those who desire to take examinations in music for entrance to the higher schools.

There has been some mention made of introducing some of the "grammar of music" into the High School course. An elective course in elementary harmony would give some a chance to study a very valuable and interesting side of music. Many schools have adopted it and some which have not expect to do so in the near future. The music in the High School has been greatly helped by the services of a regular pianist. Few realize the value of having good accompaniments for the choruses, such as will tend to help rather than hinder.

The general plan of the music in the schools has been some little time in operation, and all the teachers are now well acquainted with the work and the methods of procedure. In closing I desire to sincerely thank them for their kind co-operation, also the school officials and Superintendent for their interest and helpful advice.

Yours respectfully,

MABELLE B. PROCTOR.

#### Report of the Supervisor of Drawing.

DEAR SIR,—The drawing in all the grades is grouped in four main subjects, nature, construction, representation and design. In the spring and fall nature drawing is studied from flowers, grasses, sedges and fruit sprays, vegetables and trees. Various mediums are used such as colored crayon, ink and water color.

Freehand paper cutting is another means of expression which has proved most valuable in training the eye and hand.

In November and December construction work is given in each grade. Simple objects are made, useful in play or for Christmas. This gives ample practice in measuring and planning. The use of T square, triangles and freehand lettering is taught.

. In January, February and March, Representative or Pictorial drawing and composition are studied from objects and groups of objects. The aim of Pictorial drawing in the primary grades is to lead the pupil to acquire facility in graphic expression.

The subject matter being determined largely by other school studies, as language, history, stories, etc. In the intermediate and grammar grades the pupils enjoy composing a group as a subject for drawing. If it may be a group to illustrate some point in language, geography, physics, history, or handicraft, it is attempted.

In April, May and June the subject under consideration is Design. Drawings are made from buds, leaves, flowers—and applied to designs for simple ornaments—for any object in the child's world—for useful objects which may be constructed and designs for objects involving weaving, printing or stenciling.

In the High School the courses are Fine Arts Course (Representation) and Construction (Mechanical Drawing). The Fine Arts Course comprises Freehand Drawing in light and shade, color, theory and practice, Design—theory of design; applied and constructive design.

The Mechanical Drawing course comprises—Geometrical problems, Projection—through intersection of solids—Freehand Lettering—Machine drawings from models or Architectural drawings from copy and plans of simple objects to be worked out in the Manual Training room.

Manual Training having been introduced in the High School, this year the Mechanical drawing holds an important place in the curriculum. For this work, each pupil is provided with all necessary materials for the best quality. The classes being very large, twelve handsome new drawing tables have been added—which have helped greatly in the accomplishment of good work.

There will be an exhibition of drawings the last of June in the Phillips School, when all who are interested will have an opportunity to view the work of the pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL E. LOWREY,

*Supervisor of Drawing.*

## Report of Instructor in Manual Training.

MR. WILLIAM J. PELO, *Supt. of Schools, Swampscott, Mass.*

DEAR SIR,—The Manual Training Department was inaugurated on September 17, 1907. The room is situated in the basement of the Phillips School and is well lighted.

Although rather small it has been admirably adapted for the work of classes of the present size. There are twelve carpenters' benches equipped with the necessary tools for efficient work. Each bench has a drawer for tools and a private one for each pupil, fitted with lock and key. In addition to the tools on each bench, there is an excellent assortment of tools for general use. If this supply could be increased by the addition of a few duplicates the work would be greatly facilitated.

Besides the benches, there are four lathes and a grindstone, driven by a two-horse power electric motor. The lathes do not run as quietly as one would wish. While this does not interfere with the work of this department, it certainly is a nuisance to those who are working in the room above. I hope that in a short time this noise may be lessened. Each lathe has the full complement of fittings and tools required to execute wood-turning and pattern making.

With the exception of benches, lathes, and tools, the room when opened, was bare of furnishings. This has been changed somewhat through the work of the boys. In one corner of the room a lecture platform has been built, and on this are twelve desk chairs so that pupils can take notes, while the teacher is demonstrating. A cupboard for bench keys, shelves for lathe tools, a shelf for special tools, and a blackboard have also been added. It is intended that the boys shall build pigeon holes and cupboards for the work which may be in process of construction.

### Course of Study.

It is intended that the course of study shall give each pupil a thorough training in the elements of carpentry, wood carving,

wood turning, and pattern making; an intelligent knowledge of the tools used, and a knowledge of timber, trees, and the properties and qualities of lumber. Thus pupils who enter the Lawrence Scientific School, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, or any technical school will be able to anticipate this work and thereby gain time for the more advanced courses. If pupils do not wish to enter such institutions or follow up the training by entering the industrial walks of life, they can in this work secure valuable educational training. The hand and eye are simultaneously developed and through them large tracts of brain cells, which otherwise would remain dormant, receive their first impulse for growth and development.

The training develops application, accuracy, self-reliance and industry. It awakens ambitions and opens a wide field for success and usefulness. It demands patience and stimulates a high order of mental activity.

While the principles involved are covered by the pupils of each year, the models requiring those principles are different. The work is so arranged that no one is taxed beyond his powers, while those who work rapidly are given the opportunity to do more advanced work, thus calling forth their best efforts. As the educational value of the exercises depends mainly upon the amount of careful thought engendered, no task is repeated merely for the sake of gaining skill. When the difficulties of a given process have been fairly mastered, a new problem is given. Boys of good ability do, however, acquire considerable skill, for the construction of each model involves the repetition of some preceding process. The quality of the work, that is mastery of correct methods and formation of good habits, is considered much more important than the amount of work executed. Every effort will be put forth to adapt the course to the special needs of individuals. One boy has made several pieces of scientific apparatus, while another has made the form about which he intends to mould a violin. Attention is given to constructive and also to applied design.

The manual training teacher is anxious to correlate his work with that of the art teacher so that the work of his department

will give the pupil a better appreciation of the use and value of design. If the pupils were taught mechanical drawing before entering the manual training department, they would be able to understand the working drawings and so save the teacher a great deal of time, devoted to explanation of plans, etc.

The first four months of the school year have been devoted entirely to bench work. On January 16, 1908, the first lessons in wood-turning were given. From that date until the end of the year the freshmen will spend about one-fourth of their time on lathe work, the sophomores one-third, and the juniors one-half. Special attention will be devoted to the staining, shellacking, polishing and finishing of completed work.

During the two weeks previous to the Christmas vacation, a digression was made from the regular work of the course, and pupils were allowed to make Christmas presents.

Mr. Congdon, Chairman of the School Committee, has in many ways shown his deep interest in this department.

I am very grateful for this and the valuable suggestions he has given.

The following gentlemen have visited this department: Messrs. Sprague, Congdon, Glidden, Hastings, Frazier, Pease, Hatch, Hardy and Rankin.

Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM FIRTH EASTWOOD.

**Report of School Physician.**

*Mr. W. J. Pelo, Supt. of Schools of Swampscott:*

I herewith submit a health report of the Swampscott schools to date.

Phillips School	Impetigo o	Pediculae Capitis	o
Essex School	" 0	" "	0
Clarke School	" 0	" "	1
Redington School	" 5	" "	12
Farm School	" 2	" "	3
Beach School	" 3	" "	5
There was one case of Adenitis,			1
Total Impetigo Contagious	. . . .		10
Total Pediculae Capitis	. . . .		21
Total Adenitis Cervicle	. . . .		1

During the latter part of November and the early part of December, measles were epidemic in our schools, although no cases were found in an active stage attending school.

A suggestion which I would make, is that the teachers lay more stress on the cleanly condition of children's hands and teeth, and if opportunity arises to notify parents that the hands and teeth should be kept clean as many contagious diseases emanate from decayed teeth and dirty hands.

Respectfully submitted,

H. K. GLIDDEN.

**Report of Truant Officer.**

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., January 23, 1908.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR,—I beg leave to submit the following report as Truant Officer of the Town of Swampscott for the year ending January 31, 1908. Whole number of complaints received, 93. Calls made in investigating said complaints, 115. Cases of truancy, 14; cases of unexcused absence, 79; truancy, first offense, 14; truancy, second offense, 6 and truancy, third offense, 2.

During the year your Truant Officer has found that fully 90 per cent. of the unexcused absence is caused not by the children willfully staying away from the session of the school but by their being allowed to remain out with the full knowledge and consent of the parents at times when no reasonable excuse exists for their so doing.

In the investigation of the complaints made it has been found that the parents generally have little or no knowledge of the laws of school attendance for their children and in many cases where it has been necessary to call attention to these laws, parents have evinced a desire to continue breaking the law rather than to try and comply with the requirements.

During the year one case has been taken before the courts in the repeated neglect of the parents to comply with the law in the attendance at school of children between the ages of 7 and 14 and at the present time there are other cases which will take the same course unless there is a better attendance at school of the children concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED F. FRAZIER,

*Truant Officer.*

GRADUATION EXERCISES  
OF THE  
SWAMPSCOTT HIGH SCHOOL  
PHILLIPS SCHOOL HALL,  
Wednesday Evening, June 26th, 1907  
AT 7.45 O'CLOCK.

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Order of Exercises.

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SELECTIONS BY HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA . . . . .

INVOCATION . . . . .

Rev. Patrick Coleman.

“ SANCTUS ” (From St. Cecilia) . . . . . Gounod  
Solo and Chorus.

SALUTATORY . . . . .

Margaret L. Shorey.

EXERCISES IN ELECTRIC INDUCTION . . . . .

LeRoy S. Austin and John C. Gonnam.

"THE MILLER'S WOOING" . . . . . Fanning  
Solo and Chorus.

ESSAY—"Guy Wetmore Carryl" . . . . . Catherine Flagg.

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT—Bust of Longfellow  
Jessie MacDonald.

ACCEPTANCE BY . . . . .  
Edgar U. Burdett, Pres. Class 1908.

VALEDICTORY AND ESSAY—"Needs of Our High School"  
Marion D. Munsey.

(a) "THE SPINNER" . . . . . Clapp  
(b) "JOYS OF SPRING" . . . . . Geibel  
- Girls' Glee Club.

ADDRESS . . . . .  
Hon. C. Neal Barney.

"THE BEAUTIFUL BLUE DANUBE" . . . . . Strauss  
Chorus.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,  
By Chairman of School Committee.

AWARDING OF PHILLIPS MEDALS,  
By Secretary of School Committee.

## Class of 1907.

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LeRoy Sharman Austin.

Alice May Brown.

Isabel Olivia DeLory.

Catherine Flagg.

John Cliff Gonnam.

William Moshier Jones.

Lloyd Louis Mansfield.

John Joseph McNamara.

Jessie MacDonald.

Marion Dean Munsey.

Alice Louise Nies.

Margaret Louise Shorey.

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*Post-Graduate, Class of 1906.*

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Herbert Wardwell Blaney.

EXERCISES  
OF THE  
GRADUATING CLASSES  
OF THE  
Swampscott Grammar Schools

June 28, 1907, 7.45 P. M.

## Program.

## INVOCATION

Rev. Edward Tillotson.

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| 1. | PIANO DUET—"Galop Militaire" . . . .   | Schnecker |
|    | Alice S. Eveleth and Isabel Kehoe      |           |
| 2. | RECITATION—"Polly" . . . .             | Locke     |
|    | Ada Morrison                           |           |
| 3. | SONGS { (a) "Call to Arms" . . . .     | Veazie    |
|    | (b) "Our Jack" . . . .                 | Trottere  |
| 4. | DRILL . . . .                          |           |
|    | Pupils of Lower Grades.                |           |
| 5. | DECLAMATION—"A New Century Greeting" . | Carnegie  |
|    | Charles Montgomery Wareham             |           |

6. VIOLIN SOLO—"Annie Laure" . . . Harris  
Ruth Evelyn Symonds
7. ESSAY—"Forestry"  
Gladys Ethel McLeod
8. EXERCISE—"Our Brother Lands" . . . Butterworth  
Grade VII., Clarke School
9. SONG—"Croon, Croon" . . . Rich  
Girls' Trio.
10. RECITATION—"Nathan Hale, The Martyr Spy" Brown  
Lillie Alice Gulliford.
11. ESSAY—"Looking Forward" . . .  
Edith Caroline Jones.
12. SONG—"Fairyland Waltz" . . . Veazie
13. DAISY DRILL . . . . . Eighth Grades.
14. RECITATION—"The Kitchen Clock" . . .  
Jennie Marie Timson.
15. PIANO DUET—"Priest's March" . . . Mendelssohn  
Alice S. Eveleth and Isabel Kehoe.

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*Presentation of Certificates.*

DR. H. K. GLIDDEN, School Committee

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*Reading Honor Roll.*

A. W. STUBBS, Secretary School Committee

*Graduates of Phillips Grammar School.*


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Marie Louise Coan	Anna Loretta Mehagan
Marion Harding Cole	Lillian Lucy Montgomery
Mary Helen Conners	Leonard Eldredge Proctor
Irving Allen Curtis	Eleanor Knott Roberts
Ralph George Douglass	Harvey Milton Thorndike
Rebecca Halloran	Raymond Coombs Till
Irving Addison Illingworth	Annie Augusta Elizabeth Vance
Adrienne Cora Hilton	Annie Louise Ward
Edith Caroline Jones	Charles Montgomery Wareham
	Anna McNamara

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*Graduates of Clarke Grammar School.*


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Marion Harris Bentley	Ruth Edna Annis Keay
Luella Sylvia Blatchford	Gladys Ethel McLeod
Lina Margaret Brown	Bertha Edna Montgomery
Frank White Bucknam	Lavinia Norcross
Raymond Oliver Doane	William Louis Quinn
Charles Sanford Doughty	Clarence Freeman Shaw
Amy Chapman Durgin	Gladys Chestina Smith
Alice Lillian Earp	Chauncey Evert Sprague
Alice Shaw Eveleth	Ruth Evelyn Symonds
Agnes Madeline French	William Ernest Waterhouse
Lillie Alice Gulliford	Jessie Mildred Waters
Eleanor Florazel Hatch	Raymond Oliver Watts
Harriet Theresa Kain	Alfred Henry Wetmore

### Report of Sight and Hearing Tests.

As Required by Chap. 502, Acts of 1906.

Number found defective in eyesight . . . . .	179
Number found defective in hearing . . . . .	21
Number of parents or guardians notified . . . . .	173

### STATISTICS.

School population, 1907 . . . . .	792
Total enrolment between 5 and 15 years . . . . .	819
Number pupils over 15 years in High School . . . . .	93
Average daily attendance . . . . .	851
Percentage of daily attendance to average membership,	86½
Number of school buildings . . . . .	6
Number of sittings . . . . .	1,138
Number of pupils in High School . . . . .	149
Assessed valuation of Town (1907) . . . . .	\$9,317,468 00
Expenditures for ordinary school purposes . . . . .	29,307 60
Expenditures for repairs . . . . .	3,399 71
Average expenditure per pupil based on average attendance . . . . .	38 43
Number of pupils of school age attending other than the public schools . . . . .	12
Amount appropriated for the support of the schools for each \$1,000 of valuation . . . . .	\$2 84
Average amount appropriated in the State for each \$1,000 of valuation (1906) . . . . .	\$3 95
Increased in attendance over last year . . . . .	105

### Enrolment for Fall Term.

#### HIGH SCHOOL:

	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.
Graduates.....	1	..	3	2	2
Senior .....	14	18	18	12	21
Junior .....	24	19	14	25	30
Sophomore .....	29	23	33	43	23
Freshmen .....	34	40	57	28	30
Sub. Freshman.....	..	..	..	34	43
Totals .....	102	100	125	144	149

#### GRAMMAR SCHOOLS:

Grade VIII .....	51	63	62	57	61
Grade VII.....	77	87	87	71	94
Grade VI.....	95	85	77	93	90
Grade V.....	101	102	107	105	97
Grade IV.....	105	89	92	109	134
Totals .....	429	426	425	435	476

#### PRIMARY SCHOOLS:

Grade III.....	77	91	104	115	94
Grade II.....	78	95	106	108	119
Grade I.....	135	123	121	158	135
Totals .....	290	309	331	381	348
Grand Totals .....	821	835	881	960	973
Increase .....	24	14	46	79	..

Total Registration by Grades January to June 1907.

### Total Registration by Grades September, 1907 to February 1908.

## Average Attendance by Schools and Grades January to June, 1907.

	Clarke	Redington	Phillips	Essex	Farm	Beach
1st Grade	·	·	·	33	24	14
2nd Grade	·	·	·	18	14	10
3rd Grade	·	·	·	45	17	8
4th Grade	·	·	·	42	36	
5th Grade	·	·	·	30	13	29
6th Grade	·	·	·	45	24	
7th Grade	·	·	·	42	33	
8th Grade	·	·	·	28	19	
				20	20	
	283	91	109	103	32	32
Average attendance at Grammar Schools	·	·	·	·	·	649
Average attendance at High School	·	·	·	·	·	115
Average attendance at all schools	·	·	·	·	·	764

Average Attendance by Schools and Grades, September, 1907 to February, 1908.

	Clarke	Redington	Phillips	Essex	Farn	Beach
1st Grade	•	•	•	42	19	14
2nd Grade	•	•	•	28	16	13
3rd Grade	•	•	•	58	36	
4th Grade	•	•	•	34	43	
5th Grade	•	•	•	42	41	33
6th Grade	•	•	•	46	32	
7th Grade	•	•	•	35	32	
8th Grade	•	•	•	43	18	
Total	•	•	•	328	155	82
Average attendance at Grammar Schools	•	•	•	•	•	714
Average attendance at High School	•	•	•	•	•	137
Average attendance at all schools	•	•	•	•	•	851
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**Phillips High School.**

Date of Election.	Salary.	Where Educated.	Address.
Harold W. Loker, Prin.	1907	\$1,600 Harvard, 1895	77 Paradise road
A. Lillian Rideout	1893	900 Boston University, 1891	15 Farragut road
M. Lillian Smith	1907	700 Radcliffe, 1905	6 Elmwood terrace
Mabel L. Butler	1905	700 Mt. Holyoke, 1895	7 Rockland street
Kathleen Robinson	1905	650 Mt. Holyoke, 1905	129 Essex street
Alice F. Haskell	1907	600 Radcliffe, 1906	46 Bloomfield street, Lynn
W. Frth Eastwood	1907	400 Humerton College, London, 1892	155 Ruggles street, Boston
Sarah L. Bell	1907	650 Hikox Shorthand, 1901	22 Rockland street
<b>Phillips Grammar.</b>			
Elizabeth S. Hadley, VIII, Prin.	1872	618 Salem Normal, 1868	34 Rockland street
Ellen M. Dewing, VII	1894	600 Natick High, 1868	20 Outlook road
Elsie M. Hussey	1907	600 Salem Normal, 1906	122 Norfolk avenue
<b>Clarke School.</b>			
Frances A. Gould V, Prin.	1888	700 Holton High, 1879	7 Nichols street, Danvers
Minnie H. Fernald, VII	1888	600 Salem Normal, 1874	38 Berkshire street
Mabel S. Knight, VI	1894	600 Salem Normal	30 Burley ave., Danvers
Eva M. Macomber, VIII	1905	600 Salem Normal, 1903	44 Mountain avenue
Annie W. Chase, IV	1906	550 Framingham Normal, 1897	16 Rockland street
Edith A. Farnum, III	1897	600 Salem Normal, Sp.	11 Rock avenue
Florence Gregg, II	1905	600 Beverly Training, 1895	16 Rockland street
Anna F. Willey, I	1902	600 Salem Normal, 1902	25 Mountain avenue

**Redington Street School.**

	Date of Election.	Salary.	Where Educated.	Address.
Alice L. Shaw, Prin., IV	1902	\$650	Salem Normal	9 Farragut road
Katherine Y. Prescott, II and III	1902	600	Salem Normal	23 Huron street, Lynn
Edith S. Gardner, II and III	1894	600	Swampscott High	55 Blaney street
E. Jennie Owen, V	1906	600	Tilden Seminary, N. H.	90 Norfolk avenue
L. Ardell Kimball, I	1903	600	Salem Normal, Sp.	19 Elmwood road
<b>Essex Street School.</b>				
Mabel E. Verry, Prin., IV	1896	650	Danvers High, 1886	68 Cross street, Somerville
May E. Jackson, II	1894	600	Swampscott High, 1893	1 Claremont terrace
Dorothy Jasinsky	1907	550	Salem Normal, 1906	129 Norfolk avenue
<b>Beach School.</b>				
Blanche E. Doyle, I, II	1903	618	Coburn Institute, Me., 1899	149 Humphrey street
<b>Farm School.</b>				
Louise C. Stanley, I, II	1888	618	Wheaton Seminary, 1886	149 Humphrey street

<b>Supervisor of Music.</b>			
Mabelle F. Proctor . . . . .	1907	\$350	24 Mill street, Revere
<b>Supervisor of Drawing.</b>			
Mabel E. Lowrey . . . . .	1907	\$500	90 Redington street
<b>Superintendent of Schools.</b>			
William J. Pelo . . . . .	1906	\$1,000	84 Prescott street, Cambridge
<b>Clerk of School Board.</b>			
Arthur W. Stubbs . . . . .	1906	\$180	74 Paradise road
<b>Truant Officer.</b>			
H. F. Frazier . . . . .		\$50	55 Pine street
<b>Janitors.</b>			
	School	Salary	Address
H. W. Wardwell . . . . .	.	.	404 Humphrey street
George I. Blake . . . . .	.	.	28 Blaney street
Charles Roderick . . . . .	.	.	1 Elmwood road
A. G. Stone . . . . .	.	.	49 Blaney street
Mrs. H. E. Maker . . . . .	.	.	74 Orient street
A. McNamara . . . . .	.	.	802 Humphrey street

### School Boundaries.

All pupils living North of a line running along New Ocean street to Rock avenue, to Thomas road, to Farragut road, including Grant road and Banks road, shall go to the Clarke School or the Essex Street School, according to Grade. But Second Grade pupils on New Ocean street, across Burrill street to Paradise road and South of this line, shall go to Redington Street School. All pupils from Greenwood court, inclusive, to Galloupe's Point road, inclusive, shall go to Beach School. All pupils from Humphrey street to Pleasant street, inclusive, shall go to Beach School; and all pupils East of these Roads shall go to Farms School.

All First Grade pupils shall attend the same schools as the Second Grade pupils, excepting that the Boston & Maine Railroad shall be the dividing line for all pupils of the First Grade attending Clarke School or Essex Street School.

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### No School Signal.

If the signal, "2-2" is sounded on the fire-alarm at 7.20 A. M., the High School will open at 8.30 A. M., and the other schools at 9 A. M. If the signal is repeated at 7.50 A. M., no schools will open for the forenoon. If "2-2" is sounded at 12.50 P. M., no schools will open in the afternoon.

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### Holidays.

Washington's Birthday, February 22.

Patriot's Day, April 19.

Memorial Day, May 30.

Bunker Hill Day, June 17.

Thanksgiving recess, from noon of the day before until the Monday following Thanksgiving Day.

Christmas week.

Every ninth following the opening of the schools after Christmas week.

**School Calendar.**

Winter term of 1908 began December 30, 1907.

Spring term of 1908 begins March 2, 1908.

Summer term of 1908 begins May 4, 1908.

Fall term of 1908 begins September 7, 1908.

**MARKING SYSTEM.**

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1. All teachers shall keep records of pupil's class work in figures.
  2. Sixty per cent (60%) shall be the required pass mark in all Grades below Grade Seven and seventy per cent (70%) in Grades Seven and Eight.
  3. A pupil who is absent shall be marked zero, but if absence be due to sickness, a pupil shall be given opportunity to make up lost work, and shall be marked full per cent.
  4. No lessons made up at home shall be marked.
  5. The first report of pupils work shall be sent home the last of October, and monthly reports shall be issued thereafter up to and including June first.
  6. Report cards shall be retained by teachers at the end of the year.
  7. At least ten lessons per month shall be marked for record, more than half of which shall be oral.
  8. In Grammar Grades at least all written lessons per month in each subject shall be graded.
  9. The First and Second Grades shall have no report except for attendance.
  10. Home studying shall not be assigned below the Sixth Grade.
  11. Drawing and Music shall not be counted for promotion in any Grade.
  12. Penmanship shall be counted for promotion in Grades, Two, Three, Four, Five and Six.

[Revised Laws, Chapter 44.]

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

### ATTENDANCE COMPULSORY BETWEEN SEVEN AND FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE.

SECTION 1. Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session, subject to such exceptions as to children, places of attendance and schools as are provided for in Section 3 of Chapter 42, and Sections 3, 5 and 6 of this Chapter. The Superintendent of Schools or, if there is no Superintendent of Schools, the School Committee, or teachers acting under authority of said superintendent or committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence. The attendance of a child upon a public day school shall not be required if he has attended for a like period of time a private day school approved by the School Committee of such city or town in accordance with the provisions of the following section, or if he has been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or if he has already acquired such branches of learning, or if his physical or mental condition is such as to render such attendance inexpedient or impracticable. Every person having under his control a child as described in this section shall cause him to attend school as herein required; and if he fails for five day sessions or ten half day sessions within any period of six months while under such control to cause such child, whose physical or mental condition is not such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable, so to attend school, he shall, upon complaint by a truant officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars. Whoever induces or attempts to induce a child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors a child who, while school is in session, is absent unlawfully from school shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

## Report of Surveyor of Highways.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

During the past year 5,500 tons of stone have been crushed, 3,000 tons being used in macadamizing the following streets: Humphrey street from Hay Scales to crossing at Delory store; one side and from the Albree estate to John Blaney estate; Pine street from the crossing at Railroad avenue to Boynton street; Burrill street from crossing at drinking fountain to Essex street; Monument avenue from Grant road to Monument. There have been used on the different streets 2,989 loads of pit stone and gravel, at the following places: Middlesex avenue to Berkshire street; from crossing at Berkshire street to Burrill street, the side of the street filled in with gravel, where the curbstones were laid, also at McDonough crusher the street has been filled in with gravel to the depth of eighteen inches; Humphrey street from Palmer avenue to Forest avenue; Ontario street from Pine street to culvert; Redington street from Mapledale avenue to Devens road; Hardy road from the bend in street to Elmwood road; Columbia street from Essex avenue to Maple avenue; Farragut road from Grant road to State road; Essex street at drinking fountain; Salem street from Harrison avenue to Salem line; Norfolk avenue from Albert Ellis estate to Stetson avenue bridge; Danvers street from Salem line to the end of Town fence; portions of Rockland street, Maple avenue, Thomas road, Roy street, Devens road, King street, Boynton street, Sheridan road and Phillips street.

Hillside avenue was picked up with steam roller, leveled and rolled, and should be resurfaced this year. The reason it was

not done this year was on account of the sewer being laid through the street last fall, it was thought best to let it settle and to fix the street this year. Salem street received a coating of pit stone and gravel, which averages one foot in depth; this street was in very bad conditon. Humphrey street at Palmer estate was filled in with stone and gravel to a depth of ten inches, this street was in bad shape and is used considerably by the summer people driving in their carriages to the Phillips Beach depot. Orient street from Humphrey street to Little entrance has been picked up by the steam roller and filled in with stone and gravel. The whole street where needed was filled with crushed stone and rolled, from Marshall street to road bed, picked up, filled with stone and gravel and rolled; this street is very much traveled in summer time and the automobiles tear up the road very badly. I would suggest that the Town adopt a speed limit of ten miles an hour on the following streets: Atlantic avenue, Orient street, Humphrey street to Lynn line, also that these streets be oiled this year. Burrill street from the drinking fountain to Essex street has been macadamized, from Maple avenue to Columbia street the sidewalks and street lowered two feet, also the curbstones and paved gutters relaid. This is one of the best improvements the Town has done this year. Monument avenue has received a coating of crushed stone to the depth of six inches from Grant road to the Monument, the other side of the avenue should be macadamized this year.

The different streets have been patrolled and hollow places have been filled with crushed stone and gravel.

#### New Streets.

In rebuilding Redington street the following amounts of material were used.

Number of loads of filling removed and used . . . . .	128
Number of loads of gravel furnished . . . . .	104

This street was practically reconstructed, for while it had been laid out forty feet wide, the Swampscott Land Company which

originally had built it had only graded a street thirty feet wide. This required the sidewalks to be drawn back five feet and the road regraded. All the filling was used in the lay-out of this street.

#### Jessie Street.

Jessie street was regraded and a large hollow where the water has stood about two feet deep every winter, was filled and a rise in the street cut down so that the water could run off and the surface gravelled. In doing this work the following amounts of material were used in filling :

Loads found in the street . . . . .	237
Loads of gravel surfacing . . . . .	143

Stone monuments have been set to define the lines of this street and also on new part of Redington street.

#### Gutters.

The gutters on all streets in Town have been cleaned twice and the main street six times. All scrapings removed from the gutters have been placed on the different dumps of the Town.

#### New Fences.

New fences have been built as follows :

Danvers and Essex streets repaired . . . . .	169 feet
Crescent street . . . . .	140 "
State road at crusher . . . . .	110 "
Devens road . . . . .	140 "
Humphrey street repaired . . . . .	493 "

#### Sidewalks.

Material used, 456 loads of gravel, of which 79 loads were screened.

Number tons of stone dust used . . . . .	270
Number of loads sand used . . . . .	61

**Catch-Basins and Gutters.**

Number yards of gutters paved with cobblestones . . . . .	363
Number yards of gutters repaved with cobblestones . . . . .	317
Number loads stone used in paving gutters . . . . .	61
Number loads sand and gravel used in paving gutters . . . . .	84
Number of feet of 8-inch pipe laid, for catch basins . . . . .	12
Number of crossings laid . . . . .	1
Number paving blocks used . . . . .	380
Number of crossings relaid . . . . .	6

One crossing, laid from Hampden street across Middlesex avenue forms a connection for the continuous sidewalk. Catch basin Columbia street was found in bad shape, the whole arch was torn down and rebuilt; a culvert built across Essex street near the estate of Martin Nies. The Town furnished the capstones; the Whitney Land Company paying one-half the cost, their share being \$75.

**Town Brooks.**

The only brook cleaned this year is the one running past the old pumping station from the Boston and Maine tracks; it was in a very bad condition, especially near the dump. The Town ought to find a way to keep this brook clear. The different brooks have not been cleaned this year for the reason that there was no money appropriated for this kind of work. Sea wall, Orient street, has been fronted with Portland cement, work done by J. T. Lyons for \$40.

**Curbstone and Concrete.**

Number of square yards of concrete laid, . . . . .	1,003
Number of feet of curbstone laid . . . . .	435
Number of feet of curbstone relaid . . . . .	484
Number of square yards of granolithic laid . . . . .	167

Granolithic, the abutters paid for extra cost above the price paid for tar concrete.

#### Continuous Sidewalks.

Number of square yards of concrete laid,	2,580
Number of feet of curbstone laid . . .	1,050
Number of feet of curbstone relaid . . .	843

I would recommend that an appropriation of \$1,000 be made for Continuous Sidewalks and that Burrill street to Essex street, Essex street to Essex avenue, from the estate of Benjamin Ingalls Burrill street down Humphrey street to Lynn line, northerly side Thomas Road to Andrew Road, and that Orient street be curbed and concreted as far as Marshall street. Some of the streets that ought to be resurfaced the coming year are Hillside avenue, Essex street from Martin Nies estate to Cemetery gate, Hampden street, Thomas road, Monument avenue and Humphrey street from Harris estate to the sewer station. The Town should compel the Boston and Northern railroad to lift their tracks eight inches. This street is very flat and with a good crown it can be easily kept drained.

#### New Boiler.

A new boiler has been purchased for the stone crusher plant. The first boiler sent not coming up to the test was rejected and an Erie City Locomotive boiler, same as the Town owned before, sent in its place, this is the only boiler fit for this kind of work. This boiler was furnished by the firm of Perrin, Seamen of Boston. It is capable of running the crusher and steam drill at the same time easily, being of sixty horse power, safety set at 100 lbs. This boiler will do all the work required by the Town for a number of years to come. The cost of boiler including the freight, teaming from Lynn, extra set grate bars, \$693.93. Insured in the Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance Company for three years. Old boiler sold to Elbridge Blaney for \$30. Remodeling the building at crusher, bids were asked for, three being received as follows: Harry E. Hardy, \$214; William J. Waters, \$200; Gilbert Delano, \$170. Gilbert Delano being the lowest bidder, was given the contract.

**Road Machine.**

After looking over the different road machines it was deemed best to buy a Climax Road Machine as it could be used as well in winter as in summer, it being equipped with a set of hub runners to be used on the gutters in case of a heavy fall of snow. It also can be fitted with a plank 12 feet long to be used as a leveller. The price of this machine complete was \$250. This is something that the Town has needed for a long time.

There was added to the department this year one new snow-plow for sidewalks. The price of this plow was \$65.

**Recommendations.**

1. That the Town purchase a steam drill.
2. That the Town erect a building on land situated on the State road owned by the Town suitable for the storage of sand, and an appropriation be made for the same.
3. That Atlantic avenue be resurfaced with macadam and an appropriation be made for the same.
4. That all underdrains, water courses, culverts, be put in the hands of the Sewer Commissioners and appropriation be made for their maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL J. RYAN,

*Surveyor of Highways.*

## Report of Chief of Police.

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SWAMPSCOTT, February 10, 1908.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit the annual report of the Police Department for the year ending January 31, 1908 as follows:

Whole number of persons arrested or summoned to appear at Court . . . . .	140
Male . . . . .	134
Female . . . . .	6
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Arrested or summoned to appear at Court for the following offenses :

Assault and battery . . . . .	7
Breaking, entering and larceny . . . . .	9
Assault, felonious . . . . .	3
Capias . . . . .	4
Cruelty to animals . . . . .	1
Disturbing the peace . . . . .	1
Drunkenness . . . . .	60
Disorderly conduct . . . . .	4
Deserter from United States army . . . . .	1
Larceny . . . . .	4
Non-support of children . . . . .	1
Neglected children . . . . .	5



## Disposition of Cases in the Superior Court as Follows:

Cases placed on probation . . . . .	4
Cases placed on file . . . . .	3
Cases discharged . . . . .	1
Cases nol prossed . . . . .	2
Cases sentenced to Massachusetts Reformatory . . . . .	3
Cases fined and paid . . . . .	1
Cases pending in Superior Court . . . . .	3
Total . . . . .	17

## Miscellaneous Business.

Whole number of complaints investigated . . . . .	309
Cases of breaking, entering and larceny reported . . . . .	11
Cases of larceny reported . . . . .	17
Buildings found opened and secured . . . . .	28
Accidents reported . . . . .	21
Defective places in street and sidewalk reported . . . . .	46
Injured and sick persons assisted . . . . .	11
Intoxicated persons assisted home . . . . .	16
Lights furnished for dangerous places . . . . .	11
Street lights reported out . . . . .	49
Break in water pipes reported . . . . .	9
Dogs reported lost . . . . .	21
Dogs killed by dog officers . . . . .	151
Complaints investigated by dog officer . . . . .	33
Dogs returned to owners . . . . .	18
Fire alarm given by officers . . . . .	1
Fire alarms responded to by officers . . . . .	24
Fires extinguished without an alarm . . . . .	5
Wires reported down in the street . . . . .	11
Defective wires reported . . . . .	13
Stray beasts cared for . . . . .	19
Lost children restored to parents . . . . .	10
Horses found cast in stables . . . . .	6
Out of town officers assisted . . . . .	7
Persons reported bitten by dogs . . . . .	9

Committed to Tewksbury for Overseers of the Poor . . . . .	1
Disturbance suppressed without arrest . . . . .	13
Lights found burning in buildings . . . . .	16
Persons killed on railroad and cared for . . . . .	1
Dead bodies washed ashore and cared for . . . . .	1
Dead bodies found at sea and brought ashore and cared for . . . . .	1
Suicide . . . . .	1
Bicycles found and returned to owners . . . . .	2
Persons found on street in demented condition . . . . .	4
Search warrants for liquor served . . . . .	5
Search warrants for stolen goods served . . . . .	4
Seizures made . . . . .	5
Forfeitures ordered by Court to Commonwealth . . . . .	5
Trees or limbs down and reported to Tree Warden . . . . .	8
Compelled to move under liquor law . . . . .	1
Reported to Overseers of the Poor . . . . .	2
Ambulance calls . . . . .	43
Extra hours of officers on ambulance . . . . .	115
Value of property reported lost or stolen . . . . .	\$1,771 50
Value of property recovered . . . . .	\$1,090 00

#### Recommendations.

Realizing that in order to maintain the efficiency of the department in answering calls where the use of the ambulance or wagon is needed, some arrangements other than those existing at the present time are necessary. I would recommend that a suitable building be erected on the land in the rear of the present Police Station on Burrill street, for the housing of the Beattie ambulance; that a horse and swing harness be purchased for the ambulance, and that the sum of \$1,500 be appropriated to cover the expense of the same.

In closing my report I wish to express my thanks to the officers of the department who have always been ready to perform any duty asked of them, and to even work many hours overtime that the work of the department might not be hindered by the lack of officers' services. The thanks of the department is

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also extended to those who have in many ways aided the work of this department by giving information which has often proved valuable, especially does this apply to the Lynn Police.

To the members of the Board of Selectmen and to other Town officers, this department is indebted for many favors which have been fully appreciated. For all these favors I desire to express my thanks at this time.

Respectfully yours,

ULYSSES M. CORSON,

*Chief of Police.*

## Report of Chief Engineer.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS,  
SWAMPSCOTT, MASS.

*To the Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—We have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Fire Department for the year ending February 1, 1908, this being the thirteenth annual and the twenty-ninth since the organization of the paid department of the Town.

### **Manual Force.**

The department consists of thirty-four men assigned as follows. One chief, and two assistant engineers, seven permanent men, including the chief, one captain, two lieutenants, five pipemen, seven hosemen, six laddermen and four men on steamer.

### **Apparatus.**

The apparatus is in good condition at the present time. It consists of one steam fire engine with three horse hitch, one two-horse hose wagon, one two-horse ladder truck, one two-horse chemical, one two-horse hose reel, one relief wagon, one wire wagon, one single wagon, three hand hose reels, and one two-horse hose pung.

### **Fire Alarm.**

The past year there has been some new wire added to take the place of old wire. There have been two new boxes added the past year and the system is in good order at the present time.

**Water Supply.**

The water supply has been all that has been required the past year. There have been three new hydrants added the past year which makes one hundred and thirty-seven at the present time.

**Hose.**

There are thirty-one hundred and fifty (3,150) feet of two and one-half inch cotton hose (rubber lined) classified as follows: First quality twenty-six hundred (2,600) feet, worthless, ten hundred and fifty (1,050) feet. There are four hundred (400) feet of three-quarter inch rubber hose.

**Horses.**

\* The department owns ten horses, six are in good condition, one not fit for service at present writing, and one along in years.

**Recommendations.**

We would recommend that five hundred (500) feet of two and one-half inch leading hose be purchased, and that three hundred dollars (\$300) be appropriated for the same.

We also recommend that two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be appropriated for a new horse.

**Remarks.**

The department has been very successful in preventing large fires during the past year, and it has been largely due to the interest taken by the members and the prompt manner in which they have performed their duties.

This past year we have carried out the wishes of the voters in placing a new bell and striker at the chemical house at Phillips Beach, and as far as we know this has proved satisfactory.

### Fires and Alarms.

There have been twenty-four (24) bell alarms, fifty-four (54) telephone calls, and nine (9) still alarms, making a total of eighty-seven(87) alarms this year. The no school signal has been sounded twelve (12) times and the department has responded to seven (7) out of Town calls; Chemical No. 1, Phillips Beach called in service thirty (30) times, Chemical No. 4, Lynn, nine (9) times.

### Loss by Fire.

The value of property, amount of insurance carried, amount of insurance paid and net losses at fire where portion of the department have responded is as follows, viz. :

Value of buildings . . . . .	\$84,550 00
Value of contents . . . . .	46,600 00
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Total . . . . .	\$131,150 00
 Insurance on buildings . . . . .	\$61,700 00
Insurance on contents . . . . .	30,550 00
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Total . . . . .	\$92,250 00
 Damage to buildings . . . . .	\$9,866 88
Damage to contents . . . . .	2,577 00
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Total . . . . .	\$12,443 88
 Insurance paid on buildings . . . . .	\$9,766 88
Insurance paid on contents . . . . .	2,402 00
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Total . . . . .	\$12,168 88
Net loss above insurance . . . . .	\$275 00
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Total . . . . .	\$12,443 88

**Conclusion.**

In concluding our report we wish to thank you, gentlemen, for the kindly interest you have borne toward myself and associates. The members of the department have our thanks for their quick response at all times and for the manner in which they have conducted themselves, also all others with whom we have come in contact the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. CAHOON,  
G. H. LAMPARD,  
F. L. CHAPMAN.

Attest:

F. L. CHAPMAN,

*Clerk of Board.*

## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT Board of Park Commissioners.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Board of Park Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of law, respectfully submits its annual report for the season of 1907-1908, being the fourteenth annual report of the Board since the acceptance of the Park Act, March 20, 1893.

The Board organized with Elias G. Hodgkins, as chairman; John J. Blaney and Clarence B. Humphrey as secretary.

The Swampscott Park System includes three parcels of land known respectively as Paradise Road Playground, Monument Avenue Reservation and Blaney Beach Reservation.

### Paradise Road Playground.

This playground is bounded on all sides by public streets, comprises about two acres of land and has been in use for the past three years; lying adjacent to the Clarke school and being the only open space available for athletic sports has been well patronized the past season. The silt basins have been cleaned out, a thin coating of loam and fertilizer spread over that half portion lying next to Ellis road and seeded. The results were very satisfactory and would warrant treating the upper portion the same way another season. In the maintenance of these grounds, two things were early called to our attention which we have sought to eliminate this season; one, that every Fall it has been necessary to ask the assistance of the Fire and Water Departments when flooding; this method requires the use of two

hydrants on opposite sides of the streets, tears up the surface of the ground where water enters, and leaves long lines of dirty hose to be washed and replaced; the other, the improvised drinking fountain placed at the Hampden street side by the Water Department, while it answers its purpose, is only a temporary affair which necessitates a continuous flow of water, and keeps the grounds in the immediate vicinity in a very wet and unhealthy condition. We, therefore, had built a combined granolithic sidewalk, fountain base and steps. It is connected with the Town Water Works and constructed so that an iron fountain can be placed thereon which would supply drinking water to children and dogs and allow a four inch stream to flow over the steps into the playground for flooding purposes. The sidewalk can be continued in either direction. Bids were received from Warren Bros., of Boston, and The Lynn Granolithic Co., who make a specialty of granolithic work, for \$262, and \$300. respectively. The work was done by Warren Bros.

Outside of the first raking up and cutting grass when needed, the grounds have received very little attention, and we hope another year that arrangements can be made whereby the same person can have charge of this and the Monument Avenue Reservation.

The base ball teams have been furnished with a substantial fence for a back stop, and the grounds flooded to provide a place where the children can skate with safety.

#### Monument Avenue Reservation.

This comprises the strip of land running from the Soldiers' Monument on Humphrey street to Andrew road, and is given up to planting and grass. Occupying the position it does it is important that it should look its best at all times. As in past years, we have asked for bids for taking care of this reservation for the five summer months, and received only three. The contract was awarded to Mr. Nathan Harris for \$180, who has done his work to the entire satisfaction of the Board, many favorable comments having been received from interested citizens upon its general

appearance this season. Of the other two bids, they were both from non-resident parties, one being excessive and the other came too late to be considered.

In connection with this reservation there is a piece of land on Farragut and Walker roads, containing about 40,000 square feet which we have partially cared for in the past, but which is not owned by the Town. This land being untaxed and understanding that the Swampscott Land Trust had already expressed their willingness to deed it to the Town, we have this year interviewed Mr. Walter Burgess, Trustee, and under his direction had plans drawn up of the portion to be transferred. We are pleased to report that we have received the deed to this land dated January 13, 1908, and that it may be valid the necessary steps are being taken.

#### Blaney Beach Reservation.

This reservation has a frontage of 1,055 feet on Humphrey street and contains 235,000 square feet of upland and beach. Mr. Horace W. Blanchard was re-appointed superintendent.

Early in the spring the much needed repairs on the Fish House were made, and bids for painting all the buildings on the reservation asked of all the local house painters. There were three bids upon this work as follows:

Edwin Russell	.	.	.	.	\$120 00
G. H. Lampard	.	.	.	.	128 00
E. S. Sawyer	.	.	.	.	135 00

The contract was awarded to Edwin Russell as the lowest bidder.

The easterly and westerly ends of the Reservation have been graded, but there is still room for improvement upon the easterly end.

We have been put to considerable annoyance this season relative to the care of the offal from the Fish House. In past years this offal, together with offal from the markets across the street, has been collected and dumped at sea under the supervision of the Board of Health, who maintain a man and boat at the

beach for this purpose. This season they have refused to care for the offal from the Fish House and we were unable to make arrangements to have the same man attend to it, although willing to pay our proportional share of the expense. If the same conditions exist another year, it will be necessary for the Park Commissioners to maintain an extra man and boat for this purpose.

This year we were again notified by the Board of Health that the drain from the Fish House must be connected with the sewer, but from lack of funds have been unable to do so, although bids were asked for and received for doing this work. To prevent any misunderstanding we wish to state that the drain in question is not connected with the closets, but takes the washings from the fishermen's rooms on the first floor and empties on the beach at low water line.

We would recommend that the Town appropriate \$150 for doing this work the coming year.

The closet on the westerly side has been a source of complaint the past season, the arrangements being inadequate to preserve sanitary conditions, considering the extent it is used.

We would recommend that the necessary changes be made and that the Town appropriate \$500 for this purpose.

We have maintained a special police officer on the Reservation Sundays and holidays during the summer months.

No action having been taken by the Town at the March meeting relative to the controversy with Mr. E. A. Farnham about the division fence, we quote the following from last year's report: "On May 11, 1906, it was voted by your Commissioners that Mr. E. A. Farnham be allowed to erect a division fence between his property and the park, the Town to pay one-half the cost, with fence and work satisfactory to both parties. Mr. Farnham built the fence but the location, according to surveys made by C. W. Gay, of Lynn, is not correct, and for that reason we have never approved the bill of Mr. Farnham amounting to \$30.50 on advice of Mr. Niles, our Town counsel. The difference in the location of the present fence from the old is  $\frac{7}{8}$  of an inch on Farnham property on rear to  $7\frac{3}{4}$  inches on Park land

in the front, or in other words Mr. Farnham has fenced in 26 square feet of land belonging to the Town according to the survey of Mr. Gay."

Mr. Farnham having refused to move the fence last year and having taken no notice of an invitation to meet the Board this year, we ask the Town with the acceptance of this report to empower the Park Commissioners to apply to the land court to positively fix this line for all time.

Following is a detail of expenses of this Board, together with outstanding liabilities, January 31, 1908, showing that we are within our original appropriation which was deemed to be for the year between March meetings.

The Commissioners' report for 1906 showed an unexpended balance of \$430.79, but they approved bills after January 31, 1907 amounting to \$204.63 which have been charged to our account. It was to offset this charge that the additional appropriation of \$250.00 was allowed at the special Town meeting.

#### Park Department.

##### FINANCIAL REPORT.

Original Appropriation	.	.	\$1,200 00
Receipts	.	.	349 26
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			\$1,549 26
Amount of Expenditures	.	.	\$1,387 02
Balance Unexpended	.	.	162 24
			—————
			\$1,549 26

##### EXPENDITURES.

###### Paradise Road Playground.

James T. Lyons, stock and labor	.	\$115 00
J. H. Yeaton, carpenter work	.	18 50
E. S. Sawyer, painting	.	6 45
George H. Holden & Co., supplies	.	16 40
Nathan Harris, labor	.	15 25
Henry L. Mudge, labor	.	4 00
Eastman & Bradford, surveying	.	3 00
Warren Bros., granolithic work	.	262 00
		—————
		\$440 60

**Monument Avenue Reservation.**

Nathan Harris, labor . . . . .	\$185 00
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**Blaney Beach Reservation.**

Frank Griffin & Co., carpenter work, . . . . .	\$61 48
E. S. Russell, painting . . . . .	120 00
Street Department, labor . . . . .	57 00
Lynn Gran. Co., gravel . . . . .	1 40
A. L. Widger, gravel . . . . .	12 60
Eastman & Bradford, surveying . . . . .	2 50
Police Department . . . . .	59 50
Walter A. DeLory, labor and materials in 1906 . . . . .	11 65
S. B. Parker, printing . . . . .	1 70
Swampscott Water Works . . . . .	44 00
Horace W. Blanchard, salary . . . . .	334 00
Horace W. Blanchard, miscellaneous, . . . . .	16 09
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor, . . . . .	15 75
Evans & Cole, labor, 1905, 1906, 1907 . . . . .	22 25
Edwin Russell, labor . . . . .	1 50
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	\$761 42
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Balance, January 31, 1908 . . . . .	\$162 24

**Outstanding Liabilities.**

Horace W. Blanchard, salary to March 1 . . . . .	\$60 00
Miller & Son, gravel and labor . . . . .	25 00
Frank Griffin & Co., labor and stock, . . . . .	6 25
Charles W. Gay, surveying . . . . .	16 12
Evans & Cole, labor . . . . .	75
James T. Lyons, gravel, 1906 . . . . .	3 00
Swampscott Water Works . . . . .	43 60
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	\$154 72
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Balance . . . . .	\$7 52

Bills approved between January 31 and March meeting of 1907:

Horace W. Blanchard, salary . . . . .	\$31 00
Philbrick & Pope, stock & labor . . . . .	24 62
Evans & Cole, labor . . . . .	22 00
Horace W. Blanchard, supplies . . . . .	2 01
Insurance . . . . .	125 00
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	\$204 63

Provisions should be made before long for a site for a playground in the easterly end of the Town, and the Commissioners believe that the land for this purpose should be acquired even if the site were not developed for many years. It is easy for any one familiar with the increase of land values in Swampscott in the last decade to realize what it would cost to buy such a site if put off to long, as the time is surely coming when the density of our population will demand it.

Considering the fact that the actual cost of maintenance of this Department has steadily increased from year to year and that, with the addition of the Paradise Road Playground, the appropriation has remained the same, the amount being barely sufficient for actual needs, we would recommend that the appropriation for the coming year be \$2,000 and receipts.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIAS G HODGKINS,  
JOHN J. BLANEY,  
CLARENCE B. HUMPHREY,

*Park Commissioners.*

## Cemetery Report.

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*To the Board of Selectmen:*

Lots sold, 1907, three at \$50 each	. . .	\$150 00
Five single graves at \$5	. . . .	25 00
Number of interments	. . . . .	48

Lots unsold, 13 at \$100 each; 12 at \$50 each.

Because of the severe storm that destroyed so many of the  
of the trees last summer, I would recommend that a number be  
added the ensuing year.

The appropriation should be the same as for last year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. M. S. PITMAN,

*Superintendent of Cemetery.*

## Report of Tree Warden.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott:*

GENTLEMEN,—This being my eighth annual report of my work done in this department, I will state there are about 1,745 trees on the Town roads and public property. The trees planted on the Town roads the past year are as follows:—Burrill street, 4; Boynton street, 2; Hampden street, 4; Ellis road, 2; Grant road, 16; Shaw road, 7; Berkshire street, 3; New Ocean street, 2; Andrew road, 1. Total, 41. Old trees removed, 4, destroyed by horses, 3; protected by wire, 45. There have been 20 trees sprayed to protect them from the Elm beetle. There have been no trees set against vacant lots as they receive no protection from the owners of the land and are liable to be destroyed during building operations.

### Remarks.

The insect known as the Elm beetle is not anything new in Eastern Massachusetts, it feeds only on the foliage of Elm trees and does not come within the jurisdiction of the Moth law. Most of the trees which have been planted six or seven years have outgrown the wire protection put on at that time and they now require larger wires. Telegraph spurs or any kind of climbing irons have not been allowed in climbing any of the Town's trees. It will require about 23 trees to fill vacancies and replace those destroyed by horses. In closing my report, I would

recommend that the sum of \$350 (three hundred and fifty dollars) be appropriated for planting new trees, protecting other trees with larger wires, where needed, trimming out dangerous branches and guarding against the ravages of the Elm beetle.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE NEWHALL,

*Tree Warden.*

## REPORT OF Local Superintendent of Moth Work.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Swampscott:*

GENTLEMEN,—This is my third annual report as Local Superintendent of moth work and in it I will state, as in my former reports, that the present moth law was passed May 6, 1905. It requires all work to be done under the direction of the State Superintendent and his assistants. Reports of the State Inspector for the past year show that about 30 acres of brush land have been cut over and the brush burned. There have been over 4,000 trees banded with burlap, 4,000 trees banded with tree tangle-foot; 1,000 yards of burlap, cut eight inches wide; 1,000 pounds of tree tangle-foot, 1,950 arsenate of lead; 25 pounds of jute twine; four barrels of fuel oil; nine barrels of creosote and six barrels of cement used in the work. The number of estates where the work was done by private contractors was 14.

The amount of assessment for moth work done on private estates between May 1, 1906 and June 1, 1907, rendered to the Assessors was \$1,230. The largest number of men on the work at any time during the year was 15 while the smallest was six. The tools which belong to the department are as follows: One large hand force pump for spraying, two small pumps for burning oil, 300 feet of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber hose, three spray poles and nozzles, one extension ladder, four chopping axes; 15 brush axes, five bush cutters, three pairs of clyde shears, two galvanized iron tanks, six small mirrors, one crosscut saw, one large hand saw, two trowels, a lot of brushes, eight pruners, seven tree scrapers and two faucets.

**Remarks.**

The work has been interrupted a number of weeks the past year for want of funds, which prevents as good a showing as might have been made. The brown tail moth, "Euproctis Chrysoreia," which infested the trees in such great numbers and caused so much trouble three years ago, have been by some epidemic, so reduced in numbers as to be little or no trouble at all.

The Gypsy moth "Porthetrea Dispar," has been quite well cleared from the residential part of the Town. The worst colony we had to contend with was in the woodland between Humphrey street and Puritan road, owned by the Phillips' estate, Arthur I. Little's and the Oakland House property. This bad infestation was caused by poor work of private contractors but by a great amount of careful work this colony has been entirely wiped out. While all the woodland is slightly infested, the next colony that should be contended with is in the Sargent wood, along the Marblehead branch of the Boston & Maine railroad and Forrest avenue.

After several interviews with the Government agents of moth work, they very generously agreed to help the work in Swampscott by cutting a strip 100 feet wide on each side of the State road. This work is nearly finished and clears out the most of a large colony. The appropriation from both Town and State will be much less for the year 1908 than in 1907, so it will stand all owners in hand, to use their best efforts to protect themselves against this pest.

Very respectfully submitted,

GEORGE NEWHALL,  
*Local Superintendent of Moth Work.*

## Report of Milk Inspector.

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*To the Board of Selectmen, Swampscott, Mass.:*

GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to submit the report of this office for the year ending February 1st, 1908.

Samples of milk taken	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Complaints investigated	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

Received from licenses and paid to Town Treasurer \$5.50.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK H. BRADFORD,  
*Milk Inspector*

## REPORT OF

## Sealer of Weights and Measures.

SWAMPSCOTT, MASS.

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending February 23, 1908:

Total number of balances and platform scales tested from April 1, 1907 to February 23, 1908 . . . . .	68
Number of weights tested . . . . .	199
Number of measures tested . . . . .	156
Number of weights condemned . . . . .	7
Number of measures condemned . . . . .	5
Number of balances condemned . . . . .	3
Number of milk bottles sealed . . . . .	2091
Number of milk bottles condemned . . . . .	161

Total amount received, \$19.50 for above, which I turned over to the Town Treasurer, and for which I hold a receipt.

The standard embraces the following :

One avoirdupois balances, fifty pounds.

One set of avoirdupois weights, sixteen divisions; drachms, one two divisions; ounces, one-quarter, one-half, one, two, four, eight; pounds, one, two, four, five, ten, twenty, twenty-five, fifty.

One set of liquid measures of six dimensions, one gill, one-half-pint, one pint, one quart, two quarts, one gallon.

One set of dry measures, five divisions, one quart, two quarts, one-half peck, one peck, one-half bushel.

One yard measure, ten fifty pound weights; one balance for testing small weights, one steel stamp, 1908; one hammer, two drills, one bitstock, one breast drill, one tripod, one tin tube, ten graduating glasses.

ALFRED G. WATTS,

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

## Report of Street Lights Committee.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

But little can be said in this year's report regarding our street lights; the conditions appear about as usual and so far as the observations of your Committee goes they appear fully as satisfactory as at any time in the past.

We would not say to the citizens that the system is absolutely perfect. We never have found it so and never expect to until such time if that ever comes when a perfect control can be had over lamps which will guarantee them to burn and remain burning until the hour comes for shutting off. Lamps suspended in open air and subject to swaying and swinging as a result of high winds or an irregular current that is at any time liable to be transmitted over a wire cannot always be depended upon to guarantee a smooth and steady light, therefore your Committee has from time to time had called to their attention through the watchful eyes of our ever alert night guardians, our police, the fact that a lamp is dark, a record of these non-burning lamps is kept by the Chief of Police who when possible notifies the company of the fact and it is due to the electric company to say that they are prompt to remedy these defects whenever they or the local inspector are informed of the fact.

We now have upon our circuits 117 arc lights and 73 incandescent lights and it is the opinion of your Committee that no town or city in the State has better lighted streets than the Town of Swampscott or at a less price per light.

The months of January and February, 1908 being included in the fiscal year of 1907 owing to the early closing of the Town's

books made necessary under the new by-laws adopted last year calls for the payment of fourteen months' light bills. Our appropriation for the current year will exceed \$10,000 and we recommend that the amount to be appropriated this year be ten thousand and one hundred dollars, (\$10,100).

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. FARNHAM,  
J. R. MERRITT,  
M. L. QUINN,  
J. F. CATON.

*Committee on Street Lights.*

## Report of the Library Trustees.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscoot:*

In presenting this annual report of the condition of and the work done in conducting the affairs of your Library during the past year, we would state that the number of books loaned has averaged about the same as in previous years, the number this year being 27,710.

The books called for by borrowers are for the most part works of fiction and biography, and considering the means at the disposal of the Library Trustees, but little can be done beyond devoting the Library principally to such books and making a selection of new works from the best of that literature as it is published that the Library may always have a fairly good selection of the latest published books that are popular with its readers.

During the year, there have been purchased 450 volumes, a large number of which are late publications, the remainder being certain books which it has been deemed advisable to purchase to replace others that were worn out and for which there is a demand, being mostly selections of books that retain their place in public appreciation years after their publication.

A number of books (395) have been re-bound and the general good condition of all the books in the Library has been maintained. But few books have been lost or destroyed.

The collections of fees for overtime and replacements of books lost amounted to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

The total number of books now in the Library is 10,544.

It is our pleasure to report that the following named books have been presented to the Library :

The Engineering Magazine, from Mr. C. S. Jameson; The Reports of the Grand Army Organization, from Mr. John R. Merritt; Studies in Conduct, from the Rev. George T. Smart; Hearths and Homes of Old Lynn, Celebration of the 275th Anniversary of the First Church of Christ, Manual of the First Church in Swampscott, from Mr. John Albree, for which books we thank the donors in behalf of the Library.

It is also our pleasure to report that the legacy left to the Town by the will of Mrs. Joanna Morse, the income from which is to be devoted to the purchase of books for the Town Library, has been paid into the Town Treasury and amounts to \$5,196. At the present time this amount is lying in the bank, returning only a small income, the present accumulation being \$185.74. It is consequently our suggestion that this sum be invested, under the direction of the Selectmen, in some securities proper for trust funds, or that it be loaned to the Town at a rate that will yield a larger income.

Concerning the library room we wish to say a word, which is, that the entire space available has now been filled with racks of shelves and that no further enlargement of shelf room for books is practical. The shelves of the Library are now filled, with the exception of room for about 500 more books. At the present rate of purchasing new books, it will be only about a year more before the want of room will be most seriously felt. We feel, therefore, that some provision for a larger library room should be considered and a plan matured for it in the near future.

In the matter of the appropriation made for the Library, and the dog tax, we wish to call attention to the present method of devoting this money to the use of the Library, and to suggest a change, which change we believe will result in a better method of making payments from the Library funds and will possess the more important advantage of having the full sum available at all times, which has not always been the case under the present system.

In the present method, it is the practice to close the fiscal year at a certain time and not carry forward to the credit of the Library, for future use, any unexpended balance of the Library

funds from the dog tax or appropriation. Under this system, it so happened last year that the fiscal year was closed before it was known what the dog tax was, with the result that a considerable portion of it was lost to the Library. Under such conditions, there has naturally been a hurrying toward the close of the year, to purchase books, in the fear that the full benefit of the funds might otherwise be lost to the Library, from the fact that any balance not expended would not be carried forward. We would suggest that the Library funds be always considered as in the hands of the Town Treasurer, the account to be a continuous one, to include trust income, dog tax and appropriation, to be drawn upon at all times directly by the Trustees' order, for any unexpended balance, affording, we believe, time and opportunity for the more careful and consequently advantageous expenditure of the money as chance and need occurs, instead, as under the present system, of doing all within a certain time, whether opportune or not.

This report of the condition of your Library, the purpose that it serves and our suggestions for your consideration, are most respectfully submitted.

FRANK F. STANLEY,  
ELIZABETH J. HADLEY,  
FRANK E. INGALLS,

*Trustees of the Library.*

## Report of Water Commissioners.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

The Water Board respectfully submit their tenth annual report. The year 1907 has been an exceedingly busy one in the Water Department of your town and a great deal has been accomplished which will tend to the ultimate efficiency of the system.

During the year we have laid 2,571 feet of 10-inch and 2,693 feet of 6-inch cast iron pipe also 1,450 feet of 2-inch galvanized iron pipe and 6,900 feet of 1-inch galvanized iron service pipe, included in which amount 147 service pipes have been relaid.

The adoption of the meter system by the Town made it necessary to avail ourselves of more floor space for the repair and meter work and a substantial building has been erected on Pine street in place of the old small buildings which were an eye sore to the neighborhood; to be sure we could have utilized the old pumping station for this work, but considering the revenue we were receiving and also the fact that it was not particularly adapted for our needs, we decided it would be cheaper in the end to build.

During the year we have installed 416 meters, bringing the total number to 892 and leaving 415 taps still unmetered, which we believe should be metered as soon as convenient and we would respectfully recommend that \$2,000 in bonds be issued and sold to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund to aid in the completion of this work.

The 376 meters which were installed prior to February 1, 1907 have shown a great variety of readings and in many cases an

extravagant use of water, and but for overburdening an already cumbersome report we might record all readings here; but suffice it to say that.

2 takers used less than 7,500 gallons during the 12 months.

20 takers used between 7,500 and 15,000 gallons.

33	"	"	"	15,000	"	22,500	"
46	"	"	"	22,500	"	30,000	"
26	"	"	"	30,000	"	37,500	"
28	"	"	"	37,500	"	45,000	"
35	"	"	"	45,000	"	52,500	"
26	"	"	"	52,500	"	60,000	"
14	"	"	"	60,000	"	67,500	"
11	"	"	"	67,500	"	75,000	"
7	"	"	"	75,000	"	82,500	"
8	"	"	"	82,500	"	90,000	"
11	"	"	"	90,000	"	97,500	"

The ones included in the above list are practically all one family houses, the remainder of the lot above referred to consists of many two and three tenement houses which have used from 15,000 to 25,000 cubic feet or more from 112,500 to 187,500 gallons respectively, also summer hotels, boarding houses, automobile garages, private residences in the shore district and private stables which also show excessive readings.

The Phillips School used during the last year 256,240 cubic feet.

The Clarke School used during the last year 120,980 cubic feet.

Owing to the persistent requests of residents of Atlantic Avenue who desired that the water main in that thoroughfare be relaid in the fall of 1907 rather than wait until the spring of 1908, to facilitate the macadamizing of the road next year we began the work rather late but were able owing to the very favorable weather to complete the laying of 2,571 feet or about three-quarters of the entire work, the remainder it is the intention of this board to finish as soon as the ground opens.

The last but most important matter which this board finds it their duty to place before the town at this time is that in regard

to the water supply of the town after the current year, of course as you all know the ten year contract with the Metropolitan Board expires December 31, 1908, when this time shall have arrived, this town will have paid that Board \$55,600; on July 6th last we wrote the Metropolitan Board to see on what basis we might obtain another contract with them for a similar period, in response we received the following reply:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.  
1 Ashburton Place.

BOSTON, January 9, 1908.

WILLIAM H. BATES, Esq.,  
Chairman of Water Commissioners,

SWAMPSOFT, MASS.

DEAR SIR,—Your inquiry relative to a new contract with the town of Swampscott for the supply of water to that town from the Metropolitan Works at the expiration of the present contract, which terminates on December 31, 1908, was duly received and has been the subject of consideration by our engineers and the Board.

The Board has determined that it will be willing to make a new contract with the Town of Swampscott, to begin at the expiration of the present contract, upon the following basis:

The Town of Swampscott shall annually pay, on or before the first day of May in each year, the amount which it would be assessed if it were in the Metropolitan Water District, and shall, at the same time, pay the additional annual sum of \$3,000. The Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board may terminate the contract whenever the Board shall become of the opinion that the 16-inch main which now carries water from the junction of Broadway and Beach streets in Revere, to the towns of Swampscott and Nahant, is insufficient properly to supply both of these towns, and when an additional main or mains, wholly or partially for the benefit of the Town of Swampscott, shall have been laid in the district lying north of the main which now con-

veys water from the Fells Reservoir to the cities of Malden, Everett and Chelsea and the towns of Revere and Winthrop, the Board to give the Town six months previous notice of its intention to make such termination, which termination shall occur at the end of a calendar year.

It is true that the amount which Swampscott would be required to pay under such new contract is much larger than that which it has been paying under the old, but owing to circumstances, especially the change made in the statute regarding the assessments to the different cities and towns in the District, Swampscott has been receiving a water supply from the Metropolitan District at much less than the actual cost to the District for supplying the water. It is deemed that in the future the Town should pay not only what it would be assessed if it were in the District, but, inasmuch as the cost of the delivery of water to that town is considerably greater than the cost of supplying water to the municipalities within the District, such additional sum should also be paid as shall reimburse the Metropolitan District for the increased expense which is thus incurred. It is also probable that if a contract is made upon the basis proposed the Board will be obliged to expend considerable sums, largely for the supply of the Town, within the period contemplated to be covered by the contract.

It would not seem possible to fix at the present time the terms of a contract which would be equitable, as between the District and the Town, when the time shall come to lay an entirely new main pipe to reinforce the present main. Whether or not such a pipe will have to be laid in the future chiefly for the benefit of Swampscott, or whether the Board may be called upon to supply also other communities in connection with such new main, cannot now be determined. It therefore seems best to make a contract under the situation as it exists and when the time comes that the circumstances are materially changed, to provide therefor by future negotiations and a new contract.

Very truly yours,

HENRY H. SPRAGUE,

*Chairman.*

Upon the receipt of the above communication your board immediately held a conference with the Town Counsel and your Board of Selectmen to consider what was the best method to pursue, and in consideration of the fact that Swampscott had already in 1898 paid to the Metropolitan Board a bonus of \$20,000, it was unanimously decided to present a bill to the legislature to see if the town might enter the Metropolitan Water District and it was further voted to again write the Metropolitan Board for the purpose of getting some concessions over their previous offer and at the same time while Lynn was thinking seriously of filtration to see what arrangement might be made with them in regard to furnishing water to the town; at the time of printing this report we had received no reply from Lynn or the Metropolitan Board but the citizens of the Town may rest assured that they will be advised as soon as such answer is received.

WILLIAM H. BATES,  
SAMUEL M. KEHOE,  
I. I. EDGERLY,

*Water Commissioners.*

## Relaying and Extension of Pipes.

Atlantic avenue (8-inch cement-lined discontinued) . . . . .	2,571	feet	10-inch cast iron.
Beach Bluff avenue (6-inch cement removed) . . . . .	504	feet	6-inch cast iron.
Phillips avenue . . . . .	376	"	" "
Burrill street (6-inch cement removed) . . . . .	323	"	" "
Columbia avenue (2-inch galvanized removed) . . . . .	350	"	" "
Redington street . . . . .	292	"	" "
Banks road . . . . .	245	"	" "
Greenwood avenue . . . . .	200	"	" "
Devens road . . . . .	150	"	" "
Outlook road . . . . .	100	"	" "
Atlantic avenue . . . . .	113	"	" "
Play ground, Middlesex avenue . . . . .	40	"	" "
Rockland street (cement removed) . . . . .	50	"	8-inch "
Shelton road . . . . .	400	"	2-inch gal. iron.
Bates road . . . . .	234	"	" "
Humphrey terrace . . . . .	227	"	" "
Columbia avenue (1-inch removed) . . . . .	200	"	" "
Ellis terrace . . . . .	194	"	" "
Atlantic avenue . . . . .	195	"	" "

## Cost of Construction, Including Hydrants and Gates.

Atlantic avenue . . . . .	\$4,344	47
Beach Bluff avenue . . . . .	291	93*
Phillips avenue . . . . .	491	07
Burrill street . . . . .	391	95
Columbia avenue . . . . .	345	30
Redington street . . . . .	366	85
Banks road . . . . .	243	32
Greenwood avenue (all ledge) . . . . .	379	08
Devens road . . . . .	209	36
Outlook road . . . . .	114	09
Atlantic avenue . . . . .	137	40
Middlesex avenue . . . . .	43	60
Rockland street . . . . .	59	88
Shelton road . . . . .	195	29
Bates road . . . . .	104	61
Humphrey terrace . . . . .	40	32
Columbia avenue . . . . .	73	15
Ellis terrace . . . . .	72	27
Atlantic avenue . . . . .	54	05
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		\$7,957
		99

\*360 feet of the pipe used in Beach Bluff avenue was removed from private land near Highland street.

**Sizes, Construction, and Length in feet of Distributing Pipes in Swampscott, January 1, 1908.**

Wrought iron. Cast iron. Cement. Kalamein. Totals.

1-inch	1946			1946
1½-inch	2565			2565
2-inch	8971			8971
3-inch	1088½			1088½
4-inch	7043	333	1734	9110
6-inch	44962	5106	1725	51793
8-inch	5603	5093		10696
10-inch	15511		694	16205
12-inch	12072			12072
Totals	14570½	85191	10532	4153 114446½-21.68 miles.

One hydrant has been located on Phillips avenue.

**Value of Swampscott Water Plant,**

January 1, 1908 . . . . .	\$163,448 41
Stock on hand January 1, 1908 . . . . .	2,019 56
Total Water Bonds due 1928 . . . . .	148,000 00

**Location of Gates.**

Atlantic avenue, corner Bradley avenue . . . . .	1-10 inch gate.
Atlantic avenue, corner Plummer avenue . . . . .	" "
Atlantic avenue, corner Ocean avenue . . . . .	" "
Atlantic avenue, corner Palmer avenue . . . . .	" "
Atlantic avenue, corner Phillips avenue . . . . .	1 6-inch gate.

Devens road . . . . .		1 6-inch gate.
Devens road, corner Banks . . . . .		" "
Redington street . . . . .		" "
Banks road, corner Walker . . . . .		" "
Columbia avenue, corner Maple avenue . . . . .		" "
Columbia avenue, corner Essex avenue . . . . .		" "
Humphrey street, corner Phillips avenue . . . . .		" "
Beach Bluff avenue, corner Mostyn street . . . . .		" "
Middlesex avenue, at playground,		" "
Humphrey street, corner Bates road . . . . .		1 2-inch gate.
Humphrey street, corner Shelton road . . . . .		" "
Burrill street, corner Ellis terrace,		" "
Phillips avenue . . . . .		" "
Atlantic avenue, Hotel Preston,		" "
Total number of hydrants . . . . .		131
Total number of gates . . . . .		298
Total number of water takers . . . . .		1,307
New services added during 1907 . . . . .		48
Services relaid during 1907 . . . . .		147
Services metered . . . . .		892
Services not metered . . . . .		415

Meters purchased and installed from February 1, 1907 to February 1, 1908 and cost of same:

365 $\frac{1}{2}$ Worthington . . . . .	\$2,463 75
50 $\frac{3}{4}$ Worthington . . . . .	537 50
1 $1\frac{1}{2}$ Worthington . . . . .	30 00
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	\$3,031 25
Total cost of meters to Feb. 1 1908 . . . . .	7,638 85

## Itemized Account of Work Done on Atlantic Avenue.

H. Scott Tuttle (contract) trench-

ing 2,623 feet	.	.	.	.	\$472 14
Labor, payrolls	.	.	.	.	321 26
Lead, 2,705 lbs	.	.	.	.	160 54
4 10-inch gates	.	.	.	.	113 00

Horse and wagon hire (Evans & Cole)

5 10x10x6 tees	.	.	.	.	25 12
2 10x10x4 tees	.	.	.	.	21 45
1 10x10x8 tees	.	.	.	.	14 68

M. McDonough, hauling 78 tons of pipe

58 50
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A. T. Getchell, hauling 12 tons of pipe

9 00
17 40
9 90
7 20

2,571 feet 10-inch cast iron pipe	.	3,052 53
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\$4,344 47

## Financial Statement for the Year Ending February 1, 1908.

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand February 1, 1907 . . .	\$3,515 50
Received for water . . . .	24,948 55
Received for services . . . .	985 29
Rent of old pumping station (E. L. Brown) . . . . .	360 00
Sale of Davison pump (Lynn Gas and Electric Co.) . . . .	150 00
Sale of old iron (H. Sherman) . .	60 90
Rent of land for signs at Thomp- son's Meadow . . . . .	46 50
Sale of old boiler (J. Lipsitz) . .	30 00
Land rent (E. S. Sawyer) . . . .	25 00
Sale of grass (J. F. Brown) . . . .	12 00
Received for summonses . . . . .	4 60
Sale of old iron (J. Cohen) . . . .	23 25
Interest on bank deposits . . . .	25 75
Sale of \$3,000 Swampscott Water Bonds to the Trustees of the Sink- ing Fund, including three months accrued interest . . . . .	3,026 25
Sale of \$5,000 Swampscott Water Bonds as above . . . . .	5,000 00
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	\$38,213 59

## EXPENSES.

Maintenance account . . . .	\$7,835 31
Construction account . . . .	10,613 72
Meter account, meters purchased . . .	\$3,031 25
Labor installing and repairs . . . .	569 27
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	3,600 52
<b>Renewing Service Pipes:</b>	
Pipe . . . .	\$503 85
Labor . . . .	2,042 42
	—————
	2,546 27
<b>Pine Street Building:</b>	
Contract . . . .	\$1,258 55
Extra work, racks and benches . . .	97 64
Architect's fee . . . .	50 00
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	1,406 19
Repairs . . . . .	467 01
Service expense . . . . .	524 36
Miscellaneous expense . . . . .	410 18
Legal expense . . . . .	250 00
Taxes (City of Salem) . . . . .	14 24
Sinking Fund . . . . .	2,860 00
Interest on bonds . . . . .	4,777 50
Balance in hands of Town Treasurer,	2,908 29
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	\$38,213 59

## Itemized Account of Bills Rendered, 1907-8.

EIGHT MONTHS STATEMENT FEBRUARY 1, 1907 TO  
OCTOBER 1, 1907.

## DR.

Regular six months water bills,

April 1, 1907	.	.	.	\$10,501 16
Summer bills	.	.	.	5,083 87
Fractional bills	.	.	.	1,006 30
Service bills	.	.	.	743 27
Land rent	.	.	.	273 50
Old iron	.	.	.	77 15
Summonses	.	.	.	1 30
Bills outstanding, February 1, 1907, as per report of 1906	.	.	.	426 09
				—————
				\$18,112 64

## CR.

Cash received	.	.	.	\$17,293 59
Rebates	.	.	.	345 40
Shut offs	.	.	.	147 51
April bills (water) outstanding	.	.	.	69 01
Fractional bills (water) outstanding,				46 34
Service bills (water) outstanding	.	.	.	210 79
				—————
				\$18,112 64

## FINAL STATEMENT, JANUARY 31, 1908.

## DR.

October 1, water bills . . .	\$8,511 00
Fractional water bills . . .	210 70
Service bills . . . .	313 91
Sale of Davison pump . . .	150 00
Land rent . . . .	170 00
Old iron . . . .	37 00
Summons . . . .	3 30
Bills outstanding October 1 . .	326 14
	—————
	\$9,722 05

## CR.

Cash received . . . .	\$9,352 70
Rebates . . . .	67 61
Shut offs . . . .	72 00
October water bills outstanding . . .	\$63 25
Fractional bills outstanding,	2 50
Service bills outstanding,	111 89
Due from Highway department . .	8 50
Due from Park dept. . .	43 60
	—————
	229 74
	—————
	\$9,722 05

WILLIAM H. BATES,  
SAMUEL M. KEHOE,  
I. I. EDGERLY,

*Water Commissioners.*

### Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund.

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As Trustees of the Sinking Fund and in compliance with Chapter 293 of the Acts of 1898, we submit the following report:

Amount of funds as per report of

1906 . . . . .	\$29,936 36
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#### RECEIPTS.

Interest received from the following banks:

Newburyport Institution for Savings,	\$50 46
Peoples Savings, Worcester . . .	48 24
Salem Savings . . . . .	47 82
Cape Cod Five Cent Savings, Har-	
wich . . . . .	47 72
Worcester Mechanics, Worcester .	46 94
Salem Five Cents Savings . . .	45 98
Lynn Institution for Savings . .	45 78
Natick Five Cents Savings . .	44 74
Brookline Savings . . . .	44 60
East Boston Savings . . . .	43 68
Broadway Savings, Lawrence .	42 02
Citizens Savings, Fall River .	41 60
Andover Savings . . . . .	41 36
New Bedford Five Cent Savings .	41 20
City Institution for Savings, Lowell,	40 00
Danvers Savings . . . . .	30 20
Chelsea Savings . . . . .	20 60
Westboro' Savings . . . . .	19 88
New Bedford Institution for Savings,	13 99
National Security, Lynn . . . .	2 88

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759 69

*Amount carried forward,*

\$30,696 05

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$30,696 05
Interest on \$13,000 Swampscott Water Bonds, 1 year at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., Feb. 1, 1907 to Feb. 1, 1908,	455 00
Interest on \$1,000 Swampscott Sewer Bond, 1 year at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., September 1, 1906 to September 1, 1907 . . . . .	35 00
Reserved for Sinking Fund as required by law, 2 per cent. on \$143,000 bonds . . . . .	2,860 00
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	\$34,046 05

**Deduct.**

Three months accrued interest on \$3,000, Swampscott Water Bonds,	\$26 25
Premium on \$5,000, Town of Reading, Mass., Municipal Lighting Plant Reconstruction Loan, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Bonds, due 1923-4-5-6-7 bought of Jose, Parker & Co., at \$101.20 . . . . .	60 00
Two months and eighteen days accrued interest on the above .	48 75
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	135 00
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	\$33,911 05

**Investments.**

Eighteen \$1,000 3½ per cent. Swamp-	
scott Water Bonds due 1928 . .	\$18,000 00
One \$1,000 3½ per cent. Swampscott	
Sewer Bond due 1923 . . .	1,000 00
Five \$1,000 4½ per cent. Town of	
Reading Bonds, due 1923-7 . .	5,000 00
Deposited in the following banks:	
Newburyport Institution for Savings,	1,299 84
Cape Cod Five Cents Savings, Har-	
wich . . . . .	1,229 34
Salem Savings . . . . .	1,231 92
Broadway Savings, Lawrence . .	1,082 42
Danvers Savings . . . . .	1,030 20
New Bedford Institution for Savings,	729 02
Chelsea Savings . . . . .	530 60
Andover Savings . . . . .	306 53
Peoples Savings, Worcester . . .	1,242 43
Salem Five Cents Savings . . .	1,184 76
Lynn Institution for Savings . . .	12 29
National Security, Lynn . . .	31 70
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	\$33,911 05

WILLIAM H. BATES,  
SAMUEL M. KEHOE,  
I. I. EDGERLY,

*Trustees.*

## Report of Sewer Commissioners.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Sewer Commissioners herewith present their report for the year ending January 31, 1908.

The Board organized for the year with choice of Aaron R. Bunting, Chairman; George T. Till was appointed, Clerk; Aaron R. Bunting, Superintendent of Sewers.

Sewer construction during the year has been that of building sewers in Outlook and Walker roads to Grant road and the completion of Rockland street.

### Outlook Road.

At a special meeting held at 12 M. May 31, 1907 the following bids were received for building a sewer in Outlook road a portion of Walker road to Grant road.

Coleman Bros.	.	.	.	\$2,957	60
F. H. Cronin Co.	.	.	.	1,827	68
M. McDonough	.	.	.	1,350	54
George J. Byrne Co.	.	.	.	1,342	54
James T. Lyons	.	.	.	1,154	74

The contract was awarded to James T. Lyons the lowest bidder and work was carried on to completion as quickly as possible, the residents in the locality very promptly availed themselves of the privilege of using the sewer, cost of this extension \$1,229.79.

### Rockland Street Extension.

At a special meeting held at 12 M., Wednesday, October 2, 1907, the following bids were received for extending sewer on Rockland street.

F. D. Mayo . . . . .	\$451 00
James T. Lyons . . . . .	404 40

The contract was awarded to James T. Lyons, the lowest bidder. The cost of this extension was greatly in excess of the amount estimated as the trench had to be cut through solid rock all the way. Cost of this extension, \$858 77.

Number of sewer connections during the year . . . . .	80
Number of drain connections during the year . . . . .	6

#### Claremont Terrace.

At a special meeting of the Town it was voted to construct a sewer for the relief of the residents of Claremont terrace provided that no cost accrued to the Town for land damages. Surveys and plans were made and rights obtained from the several owners of the land with the exception of the Boston and Northern Street Railway Company. From interviews with the officials of the said company we believe the desired release will be given so that the sewer can be built the coming season. In regard to a five-foot passageway which will be crossed by the sewer, we have been unable to locate or determine who the rightful owners are, and we recommend that the form of vote passed in relation to the building of this sewer be so modified that the Commissioners may be warranted in making or taking of this passageway right if found necessary.

#### Pumping Station.

During the year it was found necessary to have a suitable building for storage of implements and tools used in the department. Bids were received ranging in price from \$581 to \$240. The contract was awarded to Levi Hudson, the lowest bidder, and the building was erected adjacent to the Pumping Station. A division fence has also been constructed at Pumping Station lot, the expense being divided between the Town and the owners of property adjoining.

**Recommendations.**

We recommend that cost of sewer extensions for the coming year be limited to money now in the treasury and accruing from sewer assessments.

We recommend that the sum of five thousand dollars be appropriated for the maintenance of the Sewer Department.

We recommend that Outlook and Walker roads be included in Section 1.

Some action should be taken by the Town in reference to the flooding of the lands which depend upon Stacey brook for drainage, we recommend that the Selectmen make a thorough examination as to the cause and submit a report at the adjourned meeting with recommendations for relief.

Respectfully submitted,

AARON R. BUNTING,  
EDWARD H. CURTIS,  
HENRY B. SPRAGUE,

*Sewer Commissioners.*

**Sewer Department Receipts and Expenditures.****RECEIPTS.**

Balance March 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$6,579 79
Appropriation for maintenance . . . . .	4,500 00
Appropriation for water rates . . . . .	\$480 00
Interest . . . . .	38 33
Interest . . . . .	26 39
Interest . . . . .	16 98
Interest . . . . .	11 37
City of Lynn . . . . .	19 89

**Collections.**

Sewer assessments . . . . .	\$3,006 05
Sewer assessment interest . . . . .	92 55
Particular sewer assessments . . . . .	901 85
Particular sewer interest . . . . .	18 93
	—————
Orders drawn . . . . .	\$15,692 13
	9,356 41
	—————
	\$6,335 72

## EXPENDITURES.

Administration . . . .		\$135 00
Legal expenses . . . .		\$135 00
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		\$135 00
Engineering and inspection . . . .		600 01
Construction . . . .		9 30
Advertising . . . .		\$9 30
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		\$9 30
Labor contracts . . . .		2,827 97
Sewer extension . . . .		\$2,091 66
Pumping station . . . .		328 52
Pumping plant . . . .		26 36
Particular sewers . . . .		196 48
Miscellaneous . . . .		84 95
Ingalls terrace sewer . . . .		100 00
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		\$2,827 97
Maintenance . . . .		5,784 13
Fuel . . . .		\$471 66
Supplies . . . .		803 19
Labor . . . .		2,286 54
Superintendent . . . .		260 00
Miscellaneous . . . .		1,962 74
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		\$5,784 13     \$9,356 41

## Assessors' Report.

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SWAMPSCOTT, MASS., February 10, 1908.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Board of Assessors have completed their work for the year, 1907.

The Constitution of the State of Massachusetts requires that a re-valuation of estates shall be made once in every 10 years.

The Board of Assessors made a careful re-valuation of all the estates in Swampscott this last year with the following results in regard to the total valuation of the Town:

Total valuation, May 1, 1906,	\$8,397,445 00
Total valuation, May 1, 1907,	9,317,468 00
Increase in valuation . . .	920,023 00
Increase in revenue on account of re-valuation . . .	13,340 00

We had a great many citizens call upon us in regard to the increased value placed upon their property. The oath an Assessor takes is that he will tax all property at its full and fair cash value according to his best knowledge and belief, and the Assessors convinced with a very few exceptions, those who called, that the valuation placed upon their property was just.

The Board of Assessors in order to show every citizen the exact growth of the Town in the last 10 years present the following statement:

			Polls Assessed.	Dwelling Houses.	Personal Estate.
1897	.	.	.	945	944
1907	.	.	.	1,463	1,233
Gain	.	.	.	518	289
Per cent. gain	.	.	.	.55	.30
					.70

**Real Estate.**

		Land excluding buildings.	Buildings excluding land.
1897	.	.	\$1,743,495 00
1907	.	.	3,285,965 00
Gain	.	.	1,542,470 00
Per cent. gain	.	.	.88½
			.70

	Total Real Estate.	Total Valuation
1897	\$3,997,975 00	\$5,302,138 00
1907	7,099,090 00	9,317,468 00
Gain	3,101,115 00	4,015,330 00
Per cent. gain	.77	.75

The citizens will see by the above statement that the total valuation of the Town has increased 75 per cent. in ten years.

The Assessors present a few facts in regard to the debt of the Town:

Debt, outside Water and Sewer, 1897	.	.	\$71,000 00
Total valuation	.	.	5,302,138 00
Debt outside of Water and Sewers, 1907	.	.	165,320 00
Valuation	.	.	9,317,468 00

	Three Per Cent. on Valuation That Could be Borrowed.	Balance That Could be Borrowed.
1897	\$159,000 00	\$88,000 00
1907	279,534 00	114,214 00

Note:—These figures refer to the closing of the respective years.

Outside the debt that is shown above, the Town has issued Water Bonds to the extent of \$148,000 which are borrowed out-

side of our debt limit, and the sinking fund and interest of same are taken care of out of the water rates and do not enter into the question of direct taxation.

The Sewer Bonds which have been issued amount to \$186,000. This money is borrowed outside the debt limit and the interest and 1-40 part of the issue are paid for by direct taxation each year. There is a note, Temporary Loan for \$11,100 issued January 15 for ninety days, payable in 1908 Taxes.

There are some citizens who seem to think that the Town is getting deeply in debt and that we are placing a great burden on our children. The Assessors think by a careful perusal of the tables presented that this is not a fact.

Our floating debt as per statement is \$165,320 and in this amount there is a loan of \$33,000 for the building of the Clarke School and a loan of \$6,500 for the play grounds. Taking out these amounts of \$39,500, leaves our floating debt for permanent improvements, which are payable inside of ten years, \$125,820.

We believe that a gain of 70 per cent. in personal valuation, in the last ten years, the policy of the Town, keeping the low tax rate and borrowing money for permanent improvements on a short term of years, has been a good policy for the Town and should be continued.

There are a few citizens who claim that the Assessors did not raise money enough this year to cover the expenses of the Town.

We herewith submit a statement of the amounts raised by the Assessors and leave it to the judgment of the citizens that there was a sufficient amount raised by the Assessors at \$14.50 per thousand, to meet all expenses that were given to the Assessors:

Amounts to be raised, as given the

Assessors, 1907 : State tax, includ-	
ing Parks and Highways (actual)	\$14,936 16
County tax (actual) . . . . .	10,209 90
Town Appropriations (certified state-	
ment Town Clerk) . . . . .	146,878 73
Discounts, Abatements (actual 1907)	4,951 10
Total . . . . .	----- \$176,975 89

## HOW RAISED.

Warrant given Tax Collector, August

1, 1907: General . . . . .	\$138,029 31
Moth . . . . .	1,230 50
Sidewalks . . . . .	407 70
Drain . . . . .	383 32
Loan on Permanent Improvement,	20,000 00
Receipts from Corporation and Bank	
Stock (actual) . . . . .	16,631 94
Street Railway Tax . . . . .	839 00
Excise Tax . . . . .	823 47
Total . . . . .	————— \$178,345 24

Amount over-assessed by Assessors,

1907 . . . . .	\$1,369 35
Cash on hand February 1, 1907, as per Treasurer balance sheet . . .	3,366 86
Taxes of 1905 paid by Collector to Treasurer . . . . .	716 45
Taxes of 1906 paid by Collector to Treasurer . . . . .	6,511 12
Total . . . . .	————— \$11,963 78
Less taxes for 1907 not yet paid Treasurer . . . . .	3,894 88
	—————

Balance over all appropriations as given the Assessors, \$8,068 90

The Assessors claim by this statement that the Town has had this year the benefit of \$8,068.90 more than all the appropriations given to the Assessors.

The Board of Assessors wish to say that by statute law they are required to make the tax rate so that the amount of appropriation for the year shall be raised and it is for the different departments to make their appropriations large enough to pay all the expenses for the year and the same must be met by taxation.

There is no question in any fair citizen's mind but what the Town of Swampscott has prospered in the last ten years.

We have attracted a great many citizens from other towns and cities of the state to come here and build fine residences and become good citizens of the Town.

What has brought these people here? The Board of Assessors come in touch with them very closely and we find that the reason they give is on account of our natural attractions, good water supply, sewer system, excellent schools, our good roads, our fire and police protection and especially the low tax rate, and we do think that although at the present time there are several bills before the legislature of Massachusetts, in regard to taxation, if they should become a law they would affect the receipts of the Town of Swampscott so that an increase in tax rate could not be avoided. We do, however, think that if the town would continue the financial policy of the last ten years of borrowing money for permanent improvements on a short term, the low rate of taxation would be continued and the valuation of the Town be increased in the next ten years as much as it has in the previous ten years.

The Board puts considerable stress on this subject because the announcements that have already been made that there must be an increase in tax rate has deterred some people from purchasing real estate in Town.

The Board of Assessors are satisfied that the citizens, after they carefully peruse the tables as shown in this report will see the great increase in the work of the department, compared with what it was ten years ago. The last year there was over 400 transfers of real estate and mortgages at the Registry of Deeds Office, and we think that there can be no question with any citizen that the Board should expend more for clerical work at the present time than has been previously expended.

We recommend an appropriation of \$1,500 for the current year.

EDWARD A. MAXFIELD, *Chairman,*  
OSCAR G. POOR,  
GILBERT DELANO,

*Board of Assessors.*

## Report of the Board of Health.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Board of Health herewith presents for your consideration their report for the year ending January 31, 1908.

The Board organized March 22, 1907, as follows: Dr. Frank B. Stratton, Chairman; Jasper H. Stone, George C. Webster.

The Board voted to appoint William R. Patten Clerk for the ensuing year.

In place of appointing a man as caretaker of Fisherman's Beach, the Board voted to appoint Charles Melvin to dispose of offal from fish markets for the sum of \$6 per week.

The Board received but one bid for the disposal of night soil, that of George B. Courtis, for the sum of \$100 per year, it was therefore voted to award him the contract.

There has been a marked decrease in the number of complaints from overflowing cesspools the past year, probably due to the fact that so many buildings have been connected with the sewer.

The majority of complaints received were from districts that are as yet without sewer drainage.

During the year the Board received reports of 178 cases of contagious diseases as follows:

Diphtheria . . . . .	10
Scarlet Fever . . . . .	11
Typhoid Fever . . . . .	7
Tuberculosis . . . . .	5
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis . . . . .	1
Measles . . . . .	144
Total . . . . .	178

The increase in the number of contagious diseases was due to the outbreak of measles among children.

The Board still feels that it is very inconsistent to compel private citizens to have their property connected with the sewer while at the same time the principal Town buildings are not connected and we would earnestly recommend that some provision be made to the end that all public buildings be connected with the public sewer.

The Board recommends an appropriation of \$4,500 for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STRATTON,  
JASPER H. STONE,  
GEORGE C. WEBSTER.

*Board of Health.*

WILLIAM R. PATTEN, *Secretary.*

**Report of Health Officer.**

SWAMPSCOTT, February 10, 1908.

*To the Board of Health, Swampscott, Mass.:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith submit my fifth annual report for the year 1907-8. I would earnestly recommend that all public buildings on lines of Sewer be connected therewith. It seems inconsistent to order Sewer connections by the individual house owner when the Town itself neglects to do so. To cite an instance, the public fish house on the park. This building should not only have its drainage connected with the Sewer, but should be put in good, sanitary condition, water in each apartment, local ventilation, a public sanitary for both sexes, to accommodate the hundreds that gather there in the summer season. Our Commissioners would gladly do these things if the Town will provide the means. The necessity for prompt action is apparent when we make comparison with public buildings in other Towns.

Plumbing permits issued . . . . .	184
Complaints investigated . . . . .	43
Licenses renewed and issued . . . . .	108
Cases reported to Board . . . . .	9
Cases settled by Board . . . . .	9

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN E. NIES,

*Inspector of Plumbing.*

## Report of the Inspector of Animals.

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*To the Selectmen and Citizens of Swampscott:*

GENTLEMEN,—In my annual fall inspection I found only seventy-eight cattle and twenty-three swine which upon physical inspection were found free from any contagious disease. Three of the stables reported to the Cattle Bureau last season as filthy were vacated, while others had reduced their stock.

I found stables in cleaner condition, and in some, better ventilation. Improvements upon last year could be made with small expense and a little care, but you will always find people who advocate that animals thrive better with poor ventilation and unclean stables, but of course that theory is advanced only by those not using common sense. Watering troughs were closed in June and September for a few days as a precaution against the spread of glanders, as there were two cases in town, also one of tuberculosis; the three animals were destroyed.

At the present time have one dog under quarantine, he having been bitten by a mad dog that was afterward killed in Lynn.

S. A. SPALDING,

*Inspector of Animals.*

# Overseers of the Poor Report.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1908.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Number of persons fully supported through the year . . . . .	3
Number of persons fully supported part of the year . . . . .	3
In institutions . . . . .	1
In families . . . . .	5
Number of families partially supported . . . . .	10
Number of persons partially supported, men, women and children . . . . .	39
Having a settlement in this Town . . . . .	25
Having a settlement elsewhere in the State . . . . .	14
Amount paid for full support . . . . .	\$1,310 20
Amount paid for partial support . . . . .	885 97
Amount paid for salaries . . . . .	270 00
Amount paid for incidental expenses . . . . .	15 10
Reimbursed by Town of Saugus . . . . .	130 00
Due from cities and towns . . . . .	893 70
Due from individuals . . . . .	341 51

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. CROWELL,  
T. P. CURTIS,

*Overseers of the Poor.*

SWAMPSCOTT, February 12, 1908.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMBINATION ENGINE HOUSE AND POLICE STATION.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Swampscott:*

Your committee appointed by the moderator at an adjourned Town meeting held June 25, 1907 to report to the Town estimated cost and plans of a Combination Engine House and Police Station at the annual Town meeting to be held in March, 1908, would submit the following:

We have investigated the matter very thoroughly; visited other towns and cities in the state, and had the help of a number of good architects who have given their time and experience in preparing plans and estimates which have been invaluable to your committee.

The plans have been for a three way engine house with floor space enough for the accommodation of two more pieces of apparatus than are at present in the Central House; also for a police station with offices, guard, cell, ambulance and stable room, everything in both to be up-to-date and suitable to accommodate the Town for many years.

In view of the fact that it is absolutely necessary to procure quarters for the ambulance and that extensive repairs must be made on the Central Engine House in order to make it tenantable for any length of time, necessitating the outlay of a considerable sum of money, at the same time leaving the Town in the same condition as at present with the proposition for a new Engine House and Police Station still to be built in the near future.

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Your committee would recommend that a Combination Engine House and Police Station be erected.

That the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars be raised by time loans to build and equip the same.

That a committee of five be appointed to carry out these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIAS G. HODGKINS, *Secretary*,  
JOSEPH M. BASSETT,  
OSCAR G. POOR,  
ROBERT LESLIE,  
ULYSSES M. CORSON.

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# ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

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## Report of the Town Accountant.

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*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with the new By-Laws I here-with submit the first annual report of the Town Accountant for the year ending February 1, 1908. I have checked up the securities of the Water Department, the accounts of the Phillips Medal School Fund and the Joanna Morse Fund, and find them as reported elsewhere. I have examined the accounts of all Departments, also the Town Treasurer's Department and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

C. G. ROWELL.

## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT.

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### Selectmen's Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$991 31
Appropriation March 19, 1907 — March 16, 1908 . . . . .	4,500 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	369 47
Overdraft, Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,277 15
	\$7,137 93

#### EXPENDITURES.

Feb. 1 — March 18, 1907 . . . . .	\$647 04
Unexpended balance March 19, 1907, reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	344 27
Expenditures March 19, 1907 — Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	6,146 62
	\$7,137 93

#### SALARIES.

Bartlett, Nathaniel F., balance auditor, 1906-7 . . . . .	\$18 75
Bartlett, Nathaniel F., auditor . . . . .	50 00
Bradford, Frank H., milk inspector . . . . .	25 00
Cahoon, Harry E., balance auditor, 1906-7 . . . . .	18 75
Cahoon, Harry E., auditor, 1907-8 . . . . .	50 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$162 50

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$162 50
Eastman, Enoch S., town weigher, 1906-7 . . . . .	20 00
Eastman, Enoch S., town weigher, 1907-8 . . . . .	20 00
Ellis, Stuart P., balance auditor, 1906-7, .	10 00
Ellis, Stuart P., auditor . . . . .	50 00
Gilley, Richard G., dog officer, 1906-7 .	75 00
Gilley, Richard G., dog officer, 1907-8 .	75 00
Gilley, Richard G., constable . . . . .	50 00
Honors, Benjamin O., treasurer . . . . .	400 00
Knowlton, Daniel F., moderator . . . . .	55 00
Lyons, James T., registrar, 1906-7, .	35 00
Lyons, James T., register, 1907-8 . . . . .	35 00
Marsh, Fred C., selectman . . . . .	200 00
Pay rolls, election officers . . . . .	96 00
Porter, Milton D., town clerk, 1906-7, .	100 00
Porter, Milton D., clerk registrars, 1906-7, .	45 00
Porter, Milton D., town clerk, 1907-8, .	100 00
Porter, Milton D., clerk of registrars, 1907-8 . . . . .	45 00
Quinn, Martin L., selectman . . . . .	200 00
Rowell, C. G., clerk selectmen . . . . .	150 00
Rowell, C. G., accountant . . . . .	550 00
Spaulding, Samuel A., inspector animals, .	100 00
Thing, Ernest B., registrar . . . . .	35 00
Thurston, Frank D., registrar . . . . .	35 00
Till, George T., collector of taxes . . . . .	400 00
Watts, Alfred G., sealer weights and measures . . . . .	35 00
Widger, Arthur C., chairman selectmen,	300 00
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	\$3,378 50

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

## LEGAL.

County of Essex, copies of claims . . .	\$44 50
Niles, William H., retainer and services,	839 07
Parsons & Bowen, town counsel . . .	200 00
Simpson, Frank L., professional services,	191 65
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	\$1,275 22

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Bauer, R. S., stationery . . . . .	\$1 85
Bicknell, Ralph E., birth returns . . .	6 50
Bradford, Frank H., catering . . . .	102 70
Brackett, Theophilus W., injury claim .	30 00
Carroll, W. H., teams . . . . .	5 50
Carter's Ink Co., ink . . . . .	4 40
Cole, Allen H., expense, 1906-7 . . .	23 75
Collins Hardware Co., numbers . . .	6 06
Delano, Gilbert, repairs . . . . .	23 61
Earp, William G., stamps and envelopes,	55 26
Eastman & Bradford, plans and surveys,	92 50
Eastman, F. H., recording deed . . .	75
Evans & Cole, teams, 1906-7 . . .	33 50
Evans & Cole, teams 1907-8 . . .	43 75
Getchell, A. E., moving safe . . .	2 85
Gilley, Richard G., services at Town Hall . . . . .	3 25
Gordon, Hiram W., numbers . . .	2 88
Griffin, Frank, repairing drain . . .	53 91
Grow, T. R., birth returns . . .	2 00
Harris, Arthur E., birth returns . . .	2 00
Heath, Henry A., gravel . . . .	21 60
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., sundries . .	4 05
Honors, Benjamin O., travel and ex- penses, 1906-7 . . . . .	10 55
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$533 22

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$533 22
Honors, Benjamin O., travel and expenses . . . . .	26 85
Item Press, printing . . . . .	3 25
Kavanaugh Bros., memorial stone . . . . .	45 00
King, Geo. F. & Co., stationery . . . . .	7 73
Lowd, H. M., birth returns . . . . .	1 25
Lyons, James T., culvert and labor . . . . .	155 50
Mattson, Elinor I., typewriting . . . . .	5 00
Merritt, John R, expenses 1906-7 . . . . .	4 40
Morris-Ireland Safe Co., safe and repairs, . . . . .	38 50
Myers, Daniel J., building wall . . . . .	150 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . . . . .	10 77
Newman, B. L., copying . . . . .	2 50
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . . . .	84 25
Nichols, Thomas P. & Sons, printing . . . . .	14 00
Pay roll, distributing town reports . . . . .	34 50
Perry & Searle Co., printing . . . . .	121 88
Pierce, C. Jerome, envelopes and circulars, . . . . .	3 50
Porter, Frank V., retracing records . . . . .	54 00
Porter, Milton D., Treasurer and Collector's bond . . . . .	100 00
Porter, Milton D., births, deaths, marriages and expenses, 1906-7 . . . . .	120 77
Porter, Milton D., births, deaths, marriages and expenses, 1907-8 . . . . .	120 25
Roberts, est. Daniel, land rent . . . . .	24 00
Rowell, Edgar W., two signs . . . . .	1 50
Rowell, C. G., expenses 1906-7 . . . . .	6 45
Rowell, C. G., expenses and documents, . . . . .	17 25
Russell, Edwin, painting . . . . .	1 75
Simpson, James, insurance . . . . .	13 13
Shephard, W. E., expressing . . . . .	1 00
Stanley, John G., storage hand engine . . . . .	12 00
<i>Amount carried forward ,</i>	<hr/> \$1,714 20

**SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$1,714 20</i>
Taylor, James L., moth assessment rebate,	2 00
Till, George T., expenses . . . . .	14 30
Water Department, rental . . . . .	9 50
Watts, Alfred G., measuring and marking jars . . . . .	12 24
White Brothers, book binding . . . . .	2 50
Whitten, Frank S., town reports and printing . . . . .	380 00
Widger, Arthur C., expenses 1906-7 .	5 20
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	<i>\$2,139 94</i>
 <i>Salaries . . . . .</i>	<i>\$3,378 50</i>
<i>Legal . . . . .</i>	<i>1,275 22</i>
<i>Miscellaneous . . . . .</i>	<i>2,139 94</i>
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	<i>\$6,793 66</i>

**School Department**

Unexpended balance, February 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$2,414 52
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—	
March 16, 1908 . . . . .	32,000 00
Receipts February 1, 1908 . . . . .	43 96
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	<i>\$34,458 48</i>

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Expenditures, February 1—March	
18, 1907 . . . . .	\$2,221 37
Unexpended balance, March 18.	
Reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	193 15
Expenditures, March 18, 1907—	
February 1, 1908 . . . . .	30,411 70
Unexpended balance, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,632 26
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	\$34,458 48
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## SUPERVISION.

Pelo, William J., superintendent . . .	\$1,000 00
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## SALARIES.

Pay rolls, teachers . . . . .	\$19,389 00
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## SUPPLIES.

American Book Co., books . . . . .	\$166 68
Babb, Edward E. & Co., supplies . . .	270 69
Birchard, C. C. & Co., books . . . . .	5 70
Butler, M. L., supplies . . . . .	3 80
Clark, W. B. & Co., supplies . . . . .	21 53
Chandler & Barber, supplies . . . . .	31 00
Church, John Co., supplies . . . . .	80
Cleveland, William H. supplies . . . . .	2 90
Ditson, Oliver, music . . . . .	2 65
Educational Publishing Co., cuttings . . .	1 25
Gaylord Bros., supplies . . . . .	20 85
Ginn & Co. supplies . . . . .	189 33
Gregg Publishing Co., supplies . . . . .	8 20
Hammett, J. L. & Co., supplies . . . . .	712 58
Heath, D. C. & Co., supplies . . . . .	56 19
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*Amount carried forward,* \$1,494 15

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$1,494 15</i>
Hinds, Noble & Eldridge, supplies . . . . .	6 00
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies . . . . .	36 93
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, supplies . . . . .	90 27
Knott, L. E. Co., supplies . . . . .	35 23
Little, Brown & Co., supplies . . . . .	5 76
Longman, Green & Co., supplies . . . . .	23 44
Macey Co., supplies . . . . .	26 00
Maynard, Merrill & Co., supplies . . . . .	7 35
Milton, Bradley Co., supplies . . . . .	27
Murphy, Leavans & Co., brushes . . . . .	44 29
Palmer Co., supplies . . . . .	9 60
Scribner, Charles Sons, supplies . . . . .	11 60
Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies . . . . .	99 89
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies . . . . .	113 40
White, R. H. & Co. . . . .	37 05
Wilkinson, A. J. . . . .	14 23
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	<i>\$2,055 46</i>

## MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., express . . . . .	\$42 08
Bicknell, Ralph E., professional services, . . . . .	29 50
Blake, George I., painting and laundry, . . . . .	61 30
Boston Regalia Co., flags . . . . .	11 00
Boynton, Elmer E., laundry . . . . .	9 84
Burgess, Charles V., plans and specifications . . . . .	68 20
Burrows & Sanborn, ribbon . . . . .	3 05
Campbell Electric Co., coil rods . . . . .	7 50
Collins Hardware Co., paint . . . . .	6 89
Congdon, S. P., telephone service . . . . .	18 18
Curtis, Harry M., piano tuning . . . . .	3 00
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$260 54</i>

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$260 54
Delano, Gilbert, carpenter work . . . . .	53 70
Eastman & Bradford, plans and surveys, . . . . .	13 50
Eastman, E. S., repairing clocks . . . . .	11 00
Embree, W. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	3 80
Evans & Cole, teams . . . . .	20 00
Farquhar, David, book binding. . . . .	87 50
Fernald, M. H., flags . . . . .	80
Frazier Albert F., truant officer and expense . . . . .	43 00
Gardner, Peleg, carpenter work . . . . .	44 36
Getchell, A. E., teaming ashes . . . . .	14 75
Gilbert, M. B., music . . . . .	2 00
Gilley, Richard G., truant officer . . . . .	35 00
Gilson, Hatch & Wood, electrical sup- plies . . . . .	18 99
Glidden, Howard K., professional ser- vices . . . . .	15 00
Goilo, Nick, grading . . . . .	44 00
Grimes, Loring, professional services . .	18 75
Hardy, Harry E., contract . . . . .	1,705 00
Harding, Joseph W., sundries and barrels, . . . . .	34 30
Hastings & Sons, advertising . . . . .	2 40
Hinckley, Frank C., boiler inspection . . . . .	2 00
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	102 81
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	2,356 10
Hosmer, W. O., services . . . . .	2 00
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . . . . .	56 21
Hutchinson, W. Henry, wringer . . . . .	2 50
Ingalls & Kendrick, boiler repairs . . . . .	30 51
Jeffers, Charles P. sundries . . . . .	95
Jenkins, A. H., labor and material . . . . .	355 13
Jordan, Marsh & Co., stove and tubing, . . . . .	2 34
Kenney Bros. & Wolson, furniture . . . . .	142 28
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$5,481 22

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$5,481 22
Knowlton, D. F., repairs . . . . .	19 40
Knight & Thomas, fire extinguishers . . . . .	155 00
Lampard, George H., painting . . . . .	49 71
Langley, G. A., laundry . . . . .	1 75
Library Bureau, oak cases . . . . .	22 10
Littlefield, H. A. Co., supplies . . . . .	7 76
Loker, Harold W., expense . . . . .	7 40
Lowd, H. M., professional services . . . . .	28 50
Lynn Evening News, advertising . . . . .	2 40
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., lights and supplies . . . . .	68 13
Martin, Florence, laundry . . . . .	10 60
Martin, F. W., diplomas . . . . .	41 40
McElwain, William, repairing blackboards . . . . .	59 92
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	65 72
Nichols, Thomas P. & Sons, printing . . . . .	35 50
Noland, M., typewriting . . . . .	1 60
North Shore Express Co., express . . . . .	50
Orient Mfg. Co., spray . . . . .	20 25
Pay rolls, janitors . . . . .	2,419 30
Pay rolls, moth work . . . . .	9 00
Perry & Searle Co., printing . . . . .	156 45
Pelo, W. J., expense . . . . .	21 45
Philbrick & Pope, labor and material, Police Department, services . . . . .	25 90
Porter, Milton D., insurance . . . . .	4 00
Proctor, Mabelle B., printing . . . . .	64 75
Potter, A. G., supplies . . . . .	3 00
Rodrick, Charles, laundry and labor . . . . .	3 00
Sampson & Allen, electrical supplies . . . . .	16 85
Sewer Department, frontage and connections . . . . .	42 08
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	87 68
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	\$8,932 32

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$8,932 32</i>
Shephard, W. E., expressing . . . . .	69 97
Simm, Wilbert E., boiler inspection . . . . .	14 00
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . . . .	56 26
Stone, Abram G., laundry . . . . .	10 00
Stubbs, A. W., expense . . . . .	80
Swampscott Distilled Water Co., water . . . . .	1 40
Till, George T. . . . .	34 15
Titus & Buckley, chair rental . . . . .	4 58
Walke, William T., plants . . . . .	20 00
Wardwell, Horace W., labor, repairs and laundry . . . . .	79 50
Water Department, rental and repairs . . . . .	345 03
Waters, William J., carpenter work . . . . .	424 30
White, Anderson, repairs . . . . .	2 00
Whitten, Frank S., printing . . . . .	11 80
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing . . . . .	82 70
Wiley, Edwin F., mason work . . . . .	90 30
Wilson, H. J., charcoal . . . . .	9 50
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	<i>\$10,188 61</i>
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Supervision . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Salaries . . . . .	19,389 00
Supplies . . . . .	2,055 46
Miscellaneous . . . . .	10,188 61
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	<i>\$32,633 07</i>
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## Highway Department.

Unexpended balance, February 1, 1907,	\$818 73
Appropriation March 19, 1907, to	
March 16, 1908 . . . . .	10,000 00
Receipts, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	892 50
	<u>\$11,711 23</u>

Expenditures, February 1, 1907, to	
March 18, 1907 . . . . .	\$346 30
Unexpended balance, March 18, 1907,	
reverts to treasurer . . . . .	472 43
Expenditures March 19, 1907, to Febru-	
ary 1, 1908 . . . . .	10,578 17
Unexpended balance February 1, 1908 . . .	314 33
	<u>\$11,711 23</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

#### SUPERVISION.

Ryan, Michael J. superintendent . . . . .	<u>\$1,265 00</u>
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#### PAY ROLLS.

Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	<u>\$8,414 66</u>
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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., express . . . . .	\$1 60
Bicknell, Ralph E., services . . . . .	4 00
Black, A. B., snow plow and bolts . . . . .	66 60
Buffalo Steam Roller Co., blades and scrapers . . . . .	17 90
Collins Hardware Co., sundries . . . . .	60
	<u>\$90 70</u>
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$90 70
Cullen Brothers, labor and sharpening tools . . . . .	125 18
Eastman & Bradford, surveys and bounds, . . . . .	18 50
Embree, W. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	6 56
Evans & Cole, buggy . . . . .	100 00
Hartford Steam Boiler Co., insurance . . . . .	50 00
Hinckley, Frank C., boiler inspection . . . . .	10 00
Hodgkins, Elias G., oil . . . . .	6 75
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	34 56
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	109 03
Hutchinson, W. Henry, supplies . . . . .	31 99
Knowlton, D. F., key . . . . .	25
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., cement . . . . .	10 20
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . . . .	5 00
Nies, F. R., labor and material . . . . .	48 59
North, John R., repairs . . . . .	2 75
Owens, J. G., sharpening tools and shoe- ing . . . . .	61 50
Pettingell, S. J., sundries . . . . .	1 70
Perrin, Seamans & Co., tools . . . . .	61 06
Philbrick & Pope, labor and supplies . . . . .	12 28
Porter, Milton D., insurance . . . . .	50 59
Puritan Market, oil . . . . .	52
Roberts, Edward B., boarding horse . . . . .	275 00
Rowell, Edgar W., two signs . . . . .	3 00
Shattuck & Delano, oil . . . . .	4 33
Shepard, W. E., express . . . . .	3 90
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . . . .	47 50
Sprague & Breed, fuel . . . . .	44 17
Tupper, John, ladder . . . . .	5 20
Water Department, rental . . . . .	5 50
Widger, A. C., harness . . . . .	15 00
Widger's Express Co., express . . . . .	3 50
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	\$1,244 81

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.**

Supervision . . . . .	\$1,265 00
Pay rolls . . . . .	8,414 66
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,244 81
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	\$10,924 47

**Poor Department.**

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$639 22
Appropriation March 19, 1907—March	
16, 1908 . . . . .	2,500 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	131 00
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	\$3,270 22

Unexpended balance March 18, 1907,	
reverts to treasurer . . . . .	\$639 22
Expenditures March 19, 1907—Feb. 1,	
1908 . . . . .	2,481 27
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	149 73
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	\$3,270 22

**SUPERVISION.**

Cowell, Joseph F., chairman . . . . .	\$100 00
Curtis, Thomas B. P., services . . . . .	60 00
Kendrick, L. E., clerk . . . . .	50 00
Russell, Edmund, services . . . . .	60 00
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	\$270 00

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

## OUTDOOR.

## GROCERIES.

Caverly, R. W.	.	.	.	.	.	\$47 33
Fanning, Albert F.	.	.	.	.	.	45 00
Hodgkins, Elias G.	.	.	.	.	.	48 01
Holden, George H. & Co.	.	.	.	.	.	162 48
Lombard, A. A.	.	.	.	.	.	7 44
Pierce, A. L.	.	.	.	.	.	36 57
Puritan Market	.	.	.	.	.	7 00
Shattuck & Delano	.	.	.	.	.	69 82
Thomas, H. N. & Co.	.	.	.	.	.	120 00
Toothaker, E. I.	.	.	.	.	.	38 00
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## BOARD AND RENT.

Adams, F. E.	.	.	.	.	.	\$136 96
Briggs, Mrs. G.	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	.	.	.	.	.	146 00
Johnson, Lena S.	.	.	.	.	.	22 00
Leadbetter, I. S.	.	.	.	.	.	84 00
Melzard, Albion R.	.	.	.	.	.	73 10
Montgomery, Mrs.	.	.	.	.	.	130 05
Nickerson, Josiah	.	.	.	.	.	87 50
Paine, M. A.	.	.	.	.	.	176 75
Park Department	.	.	.	.	.	9 60
Porter Milton D.	.	.	.	.	.	56 00
Sanborn, Mark	.	.	.	.	.	84 00
Smith, Emily J.	.	.	.	.	.	32 50
Stanley, Mrs. Thomas	.	.	.	.	.	28 00
Watts, S. W.	.	.	.	.	.	42 00
Tucker, E. J.	.	.	.	.	.	72 00
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						\$1,195 46
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## POOR DEPARTMENT.

## GENERAL.

Bicknell, Ralph E., professional services,	\$48 00
Boston, City of, aid rendered . . .	32 86
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . .	130 50
Jeffers, Charles P., medicines . . .	21 63
Jones, F. W., professional services . .	17 25
Lynn, City of, aid rendered . . .	82 00
Medway, Town of, aid rendered . . .	5 44
North Attleboro, Town of, aid rendered,	8 00
George T. Till, supplies . . . .	3 38
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	\$349 06

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Bryant, James L., burial . . . .	\$25 00
Carroll, W. H., team . . . .	5 00
Crowell, Joseph F., expenses . . .	3 00
Curtis, Thomas B. P., expenses . .	4 70
Evans & Cole, team . . . .	4 00
Getchell, A. E., moving furniture .	10 00
Kendrick, L. E., expenses . . . .	1 40
May, L. A., services . . . .	1 00
Mower, Earl A., burial . . . .	25 00
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing .	1 75
Police Department, services . . .	4 25
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	\$85 10

Supervision . . . . .	\$270 00
Groceries . . . . .	581 65
Board and rent . . . . .	1,195 46
General . . . . .	349 06
Miscellaneous . . . . .	85 10
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	\$2,481 27

## Police Department.

Unexpended balance, February 1,		
1907 . . . . .	\$492 98	
Overdraft, March 18, 1907 . . .	188 36	
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—		
March 16, 1908 . . . . .	6,000 00	
Receipts, February 1, 1908 . . .	695 20	
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		\$7,376 54

Expenditures, February 1—March 18, 1907 . . . . .	\$681 34	
Expenditures, March 19, 1907—		
February 1, 1908 . . . . .	6,608 27	
Unexpended balance, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	86 93	
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		\$7,376 54

### EXPENDITURES.

#### SUPERVISION.

Corson, Ulysses M., chief . . . . .	\$810 00	
Dunlap, Charles H., chief . . . . .	128 00	
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		\$938 00

#### PAY ROLLS.

Regular and special police, services . . .	\$5,452 63	
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## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Bicknell, Ralph E., professional services,	\$5 00
Burrill Club, chairs . . . . .	4 00
Chase Amos B., supplies . . . .	6 30
Connell, Charles, expense . . . .	90
Corson, Ulysses M., travel and expense,	50 10
Daily Plaiting Co., repairing badges .	1 50
Doane, George H., carpenter work .	50 03
Dunlap, Charles H., travel and expense,	6 55
Evans & Cole, teams . . . . .	78 50
Gilson, Hatch & Wood, supplies . . .	4 75
Hamond, Adelbert S., expense . . .	2 40
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies .	12 31
Hastings & Sons, advertising . . .	1 20
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . .	89 59
Jenkins, A. H., repairs . . . .	2 91
Johnstone, Robert, team . . . .	2 00
Knowlton, Daniel F., repairs . . .	6 75
Lowd, H. M., professional services .	1 50
Lynn Gas and Electric Co., lights .	65 34
Masstrangjalo, Raphael, helmets . .	45 10
Mitchell, Manufacturing Co., badges .	8 75
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., rental .	250 22
News Publishing Co., advertising .	30
Niles, William H., professional services,	95 00
Oak Hall Clothing Co., buttons . . .	8 63
Orient Mfg. Co., spray . . . .	2 00
Parker, Selwyn B., printing . . . .	4 25
Parsons & Bowen, professional services,	50 00
Pedrick, J. Henry, expense . . . .	1 70
Rowell, Edgar W., signs and glazing .	4 25
Rowell, C. G., mason work . . . .	6 00
Spinney, Joseph D., expense . . . .	1 15
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$868 98

## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$868 98
Thomas, John C. & Son, painting . . . . .	12 00
Water Department, rental . . . . .	9 50
Whitten, Frank S., printing . . . . .	8 50
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	\$898 98
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Supervision . . . . .	\$938 00
Pay rolls . . . . .	5,452 63
Miscellaneous . . . . .	898 98
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	\$7,289 61
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## Fire Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$30 70
Overdraft Mar. 18, 1907, paid from treasury . . . . .	811 76
Appropriation Mar. 19, 1907 to Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	9,000 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,187 50
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	\$11,029 96
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Expenditures Feb. 1, 1907 to Mar. 18, 1907 . . . . .	\$842 46
Expenditures Mar. 19, 1907, to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	9,327 86
Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	859 64
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	\$11,029 96
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## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

## SUPERVISION.

Cahoon, Geo. P., chief . . . . .	\$931 16
Chapman, Frank L., assistant engineer .	47 50
Lampard, Geo. H., assistant engineer .	47 50
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	\$1,026 16

## SALARIES.

Pay rolls, permanent and call men . . .	\$6,138 62
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Ame & Co., standard food . . . . .	\$12 00
American Express Co., express . . . . .	2 75
Am. La France Engine Co., repairs . . . . .	3 75
Boston Badge Co., repairs . . . . .	2 10
Butts & Ordway, calks . . . . .	6 40
Callahan, Cornelius Co., supplies . . . . .	73 02
Carter, Jere T., polish . . . . .	1 25
Central Foundry Co., castings . . . . .	5 95
Doane, George H., carpenter work . . . . .	3 70
Dunn & Mackenzie, wrench . . . . .	5 00
Earp, William G., postage stamps . . . . .	1 00
Eastman, E. S., oil . . . . .	50
Emerson, Daniel, professional services . . . . .	8 00
Evans & Cole, horse hire . . . . .	3 75
Gamewell Fire Alarm Co., wire . . . . .	17 00
Getchell, A. E., hay . . . . .	45 54
Gilson, Hatch & Wood, supplies . . . . .	3 23
Gladdin Fire App. Co., spanners . . . . .	6 00
Grace Oil Co., oil and polish . . . . .	3 75
Grimes, Loring, professional services . . . . .	2 00

*Amount carried forward,*

\$206 69

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$206 69
Hamson, J. & Son, soap . . . . .	3 90
Hodgkins, Elias G., supplies . . . . .	40 55
Holden, George H. & Co., grain and supplies . . . . .	530 95
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	268 09
Howe, Oliver R., hose . . . . .	3 50
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . . . . .	61 95
Jenkins, A. H., repairs . . . . .	1 77
Jennings, Harry, shorts . . . . .	2 80
Knowlton, Daniel F., repairs . . . . .	3 95
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., lights . . . . .	96 23
Lynn Stall Co., floors . . . . .	20 23
McDonald, John A., leather . . . . .	50
National Paint & Varnish Co., graphite, . . . . .	5 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . . . . .	70 31
Newman, H. F. & Co., coke . . . . .	49 83
North, John R., wagon and repairs . . . . .	268 75
North Shore Express Co., express . . . . .	15
Owens, J. G., horse shoeing and repairs, . . . . .	193 83
Paine's Marblehead Express, expressing, . . . . .	30
Pettingell, S. J., twine . . . . .	40
Potter, A. G., steam for whistle . . . . .	300 00
Potter, A. G., hay . . . . .	43 77
Questrom, A. I., labor and material . . . . .	18 15
Read, William & Sons, primers . . . . .	1 25
Rowe, Allen S., loam . . . . .	2 25
Sawyer, E. S., painting . . . . .	35 00
Shephard, William E., expressing . . . . .	50
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . . . .	21 50
Smith, W. F., supplies . . . . .	34 20
Standard Oil Co., oil . . . . .	25 20
Stevens, George M. & Co., sundries . . . . .	96
Torrence, Vary & Co., grain . . . . .	619 98
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,932 44

**FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,932 44
Tupper, John, ladder . . . . .	1 50
Water Department, rental . . . . .	51 00
Widger's Express Co., expressing . . . . .	10 25
Winchester Tar Co., disinfectant . . . . .	10 35
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	\$3,005 54
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Supervision . . . . .	\$1,026 16
Salaries . . . . .	6,138 62
Miscellaneous . . . . .	3,005 54
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	\$10,170 32
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**Library Department.**

Unexpended balance February 1, 1907, . . . . .	\$255 31
Receipts, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	
Dog tax \$552.52. Fines \$25.00 . . . . .	577 52
Appropriation March 19, 1907 to March 16, 1908 . . . . .	800 00
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	\$1,632 83
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Expenditures February 1, 1907 to March 18, 1907 . . . . .	\$106 23
Unexpended balance March 18, 1907 reverts to treasurer . . . . .	149 08
Expenditures March 19, 1907 to February 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,371 32
Unexpended balance, February 1, 1908, . . . . .	6 20
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	\$1,632 83
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## LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

## SALARIES.

Honors, Miss S. L., librarian . . . . .	\$360 00
Pay rolls, assistant librarians . . . . .	154 00
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	\$514 00

## BOOKS AND PAPERS.

Almy Bigelow & Washburn . . . . .	\$11 24
Boynton & Co. . . . .	69 50
Lauriat, Charles E. & Co. . . . .	633 83
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	\$714 57

## MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Co., express . . . . .	\$ 95
Barnard, F. J. & Co., book binding . . . . .	110 98
Delano, Gilbert, carpenter work . . . . .	56 55
Nichols, Thomas P. & Son, printing . . . . .	72 50
Widger's Express Co., express . . . . .	8 00
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	\$248 98

Salaries . . . . .	\$514 00
Books and papers . . . . .	714 57
Miscellaneous . . . . .	248 98
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	\$1,477 55

## Street Light Department.

Unexpended balance, February 1,		
1907 . . . . .	\$988 38	
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—		
March 16, 1908 . . . . .	10,000 00	
	—————	\$10,988 38

Unexpended balance, March 18, 1907		
Reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	\$988 38	
Expenditures, March 19, 1907—		
February 1, 1908 . . . . .	9,977 60	
Unexpended balance, February 1,		
1908 . . . . .	22 40	
	—————	\$10,988 38

### EXXENDITURES.

Lynn Gas and Electric Co., lights . . . . .	\$9,927 60
Norcross, W. Percy, care lights . . . . .	50 00
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	\$9,977 60

## Cemetery Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$327 37
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—March	
16, 1908 . . . . .	1,000 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908. Lots, \$300;	
graves, \$25; stone, \$24.90 . . . . .	349 90
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	\$1,677 27

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

Expenditures, Feb. 1, 1907—March 18,	
1907 . . . . .	\$30 50
Unexpended balance, March 18 1907, reverts to treasurer . . . . .	296 87
Expenditures, March 19, 1907—Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	937 46
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . .	412 44
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	\$1,677 27

## SUPERVISION.

Pitman, James P. M. S., superintendent,	\$412 50
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## LABOR.

Burrill, Charles E. . . . .	\$13 50
Coan, Peter . . . . .	2 25
Fowler, Royal . . . . .	9 00
Hussey, Charles . . . . .	6 75
Pagnotta, Nicholas . . . . .	355 50
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	\$387 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Blaney, E. G., plants . . . . .	\$41 75
Collins Hardware Co., supplies . . . .	4 35
Eastman & Bradford, plans and surveys,	30 50
Fuller Manufacturing Co., tools . . . .	2 50
Holder, George H. & Co., sundries . .	2 80
McDonough, M., crushed stone . . . .	23 44
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . .	20 30
Police Department, services . . . . .	2 25
Robinson, Thomas S., manure . . . .	3 00
Rowell, A. W., mason work . . . . .	6 25
Water Department, rental and labor . .	31 32
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	\$168 46

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

Supervision . . . . .	\$412 50
Labor . . . . .	387 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	168 46
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	\$967 96

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## Sidewalk Department.

Unexpended balance, February 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$8 40
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—	
March 16, 1908 . . . . .	250 00
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	\$258 40
 Expenditures, March 19, 1907—	
February 1, 1908 . . . . .	\$251 09
Unexpended balance, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	7 31
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	\$258 40
 Baker, P. H., gravel . . . . .	\$15 60
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	235 49
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	\$251 09

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## Town Hall Department.

Unexpended balance, February 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$78 85
Overdraft, March 18, 1907 . . . . .	23 90
Appropriation, March 19, 1907 to March 16, 1908 . . . . .	1,400 00
Receipts to February 1, 1908 . . . . .	308 00
	\$1,810 75

Expenditures, February 1, 1907 to March

18, 1907 . . . . .

\$102 75

Expenditures, March 19, 1907 to Febru-

ary 1, 1908 . . . . .

1,471 32

Unexpended balance, February 1, 1908 . . . . .

236 68

\$1,810 75
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### EXPENDITURES.

#### SALARIES.

Martin, Eben S., janitor . . . . .	\$724 00
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#### FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Son, wood and coal . . . . .	\$279 04
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### MISCELLANEOUS.

Delano, Gilbert, carpenter work . . . . .	\$49 21
Galeucia, J. A. & Son, lowering flag pole, . . . . .	7 00
Getchell, A. E., removing ashes . . . . .	12 00
Gilley, Richard G., services . . . . .	1 00
Gilson, Hatch & Wood, electrical sup- plies . . . . .	8 77
Harding, Joseph W. & Co., floor wax and chamois . . . . .	18 75
Hill, Welch & Co., repairing chairs . . . . .	9 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$106 23

## TOWN HALL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$106 23</i>
Hodgkins, Elias G., supplies . . . . .	4 09
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	24 48
Howard E. Watch & Clock Co., repairing clock . . . . .	25 00
Jenkins, A. H., repairs . . . . .	4 78
King, George H. & Co., stationery . . . . .	51 88
Knowlton, Daniel F., labor and material, La Lo Manufacturing Co., disinfectant, . . . . .	31 30
Lampard, George H., painting . . . . .	2 87
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., lights . . . . .	69 47
Lyons, James T., labor . . . . .	3 75
Martin, Eben S., sundries and expense . . . . .	12 84
Orient Manufacturing Co., spray . . . . .	9 80
Pettingell, S. J., rope and twine . . . . .	3 84
Philbrick & Pope, labor and supplies . . . . .	43 34
Phillips, Charles C., globes . . . . .	1 00
Porter, Milton D., insurance . . . . .	90 00
Power, D. B. H., stand . . . . .	2 25
Quinn, Martin L., painting and labor on flag pole and roof . . . . .	22 56
Rowell, Edgar W., setting glass . . . . .	50
Shattuck & Delano, matches . . . . .	55
Water department, rental . . . . .	48 00
Weinstein, B., repairing flag . . . . .	2 50
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	<i>\$571 03</i>
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Salaries . . . . .	\$724 00
Fuel . . . . .	279 04
Miscellaneous . . . . .	571 03
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	<i>\$1,574 07</i>

## Crushing Stone Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,200 00
Amount overdraft . . . . .	74 31
	\$1,274 31

### EXPENDITURES.

Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	\$888 38

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Embree, W. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	\$12 83
Honors & Son, B. O., fuel . . . . .	34 84
Lyons, James T., blasting . . . . .	247 37
Mulliken, Charles F., Co., oil . . . . .	15 75
Perrin, Seamans & Co., belts . . . . .	32 29
Sprague & Breed Coal Co., fuel . . . . .	42 85
	\$385 93

Labor . . . . .	\$888 38
Miscellaneous . . . . .	385 93
	\$1,274 31

## Catch Basin and Gutter Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$600 00
Amount overdraft . . . . .	146 29
	\$746 29

**CATCH BASIN AND GUTTER DEPARTMENT.****EXPENDITURES.**

Lynn Granolithic Co., gutter . . .	\$9 99
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	723 88
Rowell, C. G., mason work . . .	12 42
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	\$746 29

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**Curbstone Department.**

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$63 18
Appropriation, Mar. 19, 1907 to Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	250 00
Receipts, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	412 90
Overdraft, February 1, 1908 . . . . .	394 27
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	\$1,120 35
Expenditures February 1, 1907 to March 18, 1908 . . . . .	\$2 00
Unexpended balance, Mar. 18, reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	61 18
Expenditures, Mar. 19, 1907 to Febru- ary 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,057 17
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	\$1,120 35
Due from sundry parties . . . . .	\$174 75

**EXPENDITURES.**

Ames, G. F. & Co., stone . . . . .	\$10 50
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight . . . .	45 90
Eastman & Bradford, engineering . . . .	49 00
Getchell, A. E., teaming . . . . .	50 80
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$156 20

**CURBSTONE DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$156 20
Ingalls, Mrs. Jos. A., allowance for concrete . . . . .	18 28
Kimball, Frank W., allowance for concrete . . . . .	18 92
McLaughlin, J. H., concrete . . . . .	463 18
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	15 00
Rockport Granite Co., stone . . . . .	387 59
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	\$1,059 17

**Resetting Curbstone Department.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$100 00
Amount overdraft . . . . .	2 37
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	\$102 37

**EXPENDITURES.**

Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	\$102 37
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**Memorial Day.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00
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**EXPENDITURES.**

Post 118, G. A. R., appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00
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## Monument Lot.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$30 00
Amount overdraft . . . . .	5 00
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	<b>\$35 00</b>

### EXPENDITURES.

Glass, Joseph W., caretaker . . . . .	\$30 00
Water Department, rental . . . . .	5 00
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	<b>\$35 00</b>

## Tree Warden Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907,	\$82 21
Appropriation, Mar. 19, 1907—	
Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	250 00
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<b>\$332 21</b>	

Expenditures, Feb. 1, 1907—Mar.	
18, 1907 . . . . .	\$81 00
Unexpended balance, Mar. 18, 1907	
Reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	1 21
Expenditures Mar. 19, 1907 to Feb.	
1, 1908 . . . . .	201 00
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908,	
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<b>\$332 21</b>	

## TREE WARDEN DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

## SUPERVISION.

Newhall, George, tree warden, 1906-07,	\$75 00
Newhall, George, tree warden, 1907-08,	75 00
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	\$150 00
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## LABOR.

Pay rolls, services . . . . .	\$77 00
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Bay State Nurseries, trees . . . . .	\$27 75
Newhall, George, trees and expense . . . . .	24 25
Tupper, John, ladder . . . . .	3 00
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	\$55 00
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Supervision . . . . .	\$150 00
Labor . . . . .	77 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	55 00
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	\$282 00
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## Street Watering Department.

Appropriation Mar. 19, 1907 to Mar. 16

1908 . . . . .	\$3,000 00
Receipts Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	68 00
Overdraft Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . .	376 28
Overdraft Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	110 92
	<u><u>\$3,555 20</u></u>

Expenditures Mar. 19, 1907 to Feb. 1

1908 . . . . .	\$3,178 92
Overdraft Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . .	376 28
	<u><u>\$3,555 20</u></u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Delano, Louis A., watering . . . . .	\$458 50
Evans & Cole, watering . . . . .	525 00
Fire Department, watering . . . . .	1,100 00
North, John R., painting and repairs on carts . . . . .	79 90
Roberts, Edward B., watering . . . . .	495 00
Rowe, Allen S., watering . . . . .	372 50
Water Department, labor and repairs . . .	148 02
	<u><u>\$3,178 92</u></u>

## Water Rates Department.

Appropriation . . . . . \$1,200 00

Amount overdraft . . . . .	48 33
	<u><u>\$1,248 33</u></u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Water Department, rental hydrants and fountains . . . . .	\$1,248 33
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## Health Department.

Appropriation March 19, 1907—March 16, 1908 . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	60
Overdraft to March 18, 1907 (paid from treasurer) . . . . .	927 67
Overdraft, Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . .	362 65
	\$5,290 92
Overdraft, Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	\$643 02
Expenditures, Feb. 1, 1907—March 18, 1907 . . . . .	284 65
Expenditures, March 19, 1907—Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	4,363 25
	\$5,290 92

### EXPENDITURES.

#### SUPERVISION AND LABOR.

Patten, W. R., clerk . . . . .	\$56 25
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	234 16
Stone, Jasper H., services . . . . .	85 00
Stratton, Frank B., chairman . . . . .	100 00
Webster, George C., services . . . . .	85 00
	560 41

#### SANITATION

Carroll, William H., fumigating and team,	\$14 50
Courtis, G. B., care night soil . . . . .	100 00
Curtis & Bubier, supplies . . . . .	41 00
DePree Chemical Co., supplies . . . . .	36 00
Gilley, Richard G., burying carrion . . . . .	2 50
Lerned, C. W., disinfectant . . . . .	54 46
Mahan, William H., burying carrion . . . . .	50
	Amount carried forward,
	\$248 96

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$248 96
Melvin, William, burying carrion . . .	50
Melvin, Charles, care beaches . . .	138 00
McDonough, M., building culvert . . .	575 00
Nies, Martin E., investigating complaints, . . .	27 50
Rainford, L., collecting offal and ashes, . . .	1,425 00
Slattery, John P., burying carrion . . .	50
Smith, William, vegetables destroyed . . .	16 30
	<u>\$2,431 76</u>

## PLUMBING INSPECTIONS.

Nies, Martin E., services . . . .	\$1,037 60
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

American Express Company, express . . . .	\$4 20
Bauer, R. S., stationery . . . .	17 95
Carroll, W. H., teams, stamps and expense . . . . .	178 75
Curtis & Bubier, supplies . . . .	8 25
Delory, W. A., labor and material . . .	7 78
Gardner, Guy, labor and care of dory . .	6 00
Gilley, Richard G., constable . . . .	13 00
Haskell, C. S., safe . . . .	65 00
Hastings & Sons, advertising . . . .	15 20
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . .	23 54
Jaynes Drug Co., supplies . . . .	3 78
Jeffers, C. P., supplies and sundries . .	113 35
Lowd, H. M., professional services . .	1 50
Melvin, Charles, care of dory . . . .	2 00
McCarthy, J. F. & Co., printing . . .	25 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . . . .	72 03
Nies, Martin E., office work and stamps,	47 80
Porter, F. V., services . . . .	3 00
Whitten, Frank S., printing . . . .	10 00
	<u>\$618 13</u>

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Supervision and labor . . . . .	\$560 41
Sanitation . . . . .	2,431 76
Plumbing inspections . . . . .	1,037 60
Miscellaneous . . . . .	618 13
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	\$4,647 90

## Soldiers' Relief.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$103 67
Appropriation, Mar. 19, 1907—Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	2,400 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	122 00
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	\$2,625 67
Expenditures, Feb. 1, 1907—Mar. 18, 1907. . . . .	\$71 50
Unexpended balance, Mar. 18, 1907. Reverts to Treasurer . . . . .	32 17
Expenditures, Mar. 19, 1907,—Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	2,215 03
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	306 97
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	\$2,625 67

## EXPENDITURES.

## GROCERIES.

Carpenter, E. A. . . . .	\$135 00
Hodgkins, Elias G. . . . .	250 00
Pettingell, Samuel J. . . . .	132 50
Puritan Market . . . . .	352 50
Shattuck & Delano . . . . .	691 00
Thomas, H. N. & Co. . . . .	276 00
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	\$1,837 00

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT.

## FUEL.

Honors, B. O. & Son . . . . .	<u>\$174 53</u>
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## RENTS.

Hurley, Estate . . . . .	<u>\$48 00</u>
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Aid rendered . . . . .	\$192 00
Mower, E. A., burial . . . . .	35 00
	<u>\$227 00</u>

Groceries . . . . .	\$1,837 00
Fuel . . . . .	174 53
Rents . . . . .	48 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	227 00
	<u>\$2,286 53</u>

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## Fence Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	<u>\$400 00</u>
Expenditures . . . . .	\$315 17
Unexpended balance . . . . .	84 83
	<u>\$400 00</u>

## FENCE DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

Delano, Gilbert, carpenter work . . .	\$167 60
Gardner, Peleg, carpenter work . . .	16 91
Hudson, Levi, carpenter work . . .	22 47
National Paint & Varnish Co., paint . .	24 99
Pay roll, services . . . . .	27 00
Waters, William J., carpenter work . .	53 20
Vaughan Carriage Corporation, labor on posts . . . . .	3 00
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	\$315 17

## Military Aid.

## Acts of 1904.

## EXPENDITURES.

Pay rolls, allowance . . . . .	\$96 00
Received from Commonwealth of Massa- chusetts . . . . .	64 00
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## State Aid.

## Acts of 1904.

## EXPENDITURES.

Pay rolls, allowance, . . . . .	\$2,924 00
Received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts . . . . .	\$2,926 00
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## Park Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$430 79
Appropriation, Mar. 18, 1907 to Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	1,200 00
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	335 26
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	\$1,966 05
Expenditures Feb. 1, to Mar. 18, 1907 . . .	\$204 63
Unexpended balance, March 18, 1907, reverts to treasurer . . . . .	226 16
Expenditures, Mar. 19, 1907 to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	1,387 40
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	147 86
	<u>—————</u>
	\$1,966 05

### EXPENDITURES.

#### SUPERVISION.

Blanchard, Horace W., superintendent . . .	\$365 00
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#### LABOR.

Fowler, Royal, labor . . . . .	\$6 75
Harris, Nathan M., labor . . . . .	193 50
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	57 00
	<u>—————</u>
\$257 25	

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Blanchard, Horace W., expense . . . . .	\$18 60
Delory, W. A., labor and material . . . . .	11 65
Eastman & Bradford, engineering . . . . .	5 50
Evans & Cole, teams . . . . .	44 25
	<u>—————</u>
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$80 00

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## PARK DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$80 00
Griffin, Frank, carpenter work . . . . .	61 36
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	16 40
Lynn Granolithic Co., labor . . . . .	1 40
Lyons, James T., loam and labor . . . . .	115 00
Mudge, Henry L., labor . . . . .	4 00
Parker, Selwyn B., printing . . . . .	1 70
Philbrick & Pope, labor and material . . . . .	40 37
Police Department, services . . . . .	59 50
Russell, Edwin, painting . . . . .	121 50
Sawyer, E. S., painting . . . . .	6 45
Smart, Stephen, insurance . . . . .	125 00
Warren Bros., granolithic work . . . . .	262 00
Water Department, rental . . . . .	44 00
Widger, A. L., gravel . . . . .	12 60
Yeaton, J. H., carpenter work . . . . .	18 50
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	\$969 78

Supervision . . . . .	\$365 00
Labor . . . . .	257 25
Miscellaneous . . . . .	969 78
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	\$1,592 03

## Continuous Sidewalks.

Appropriation, Mar. 19, 1907 to Mar. 16, 1908 . . . . .	\$500 00
Receipts, Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	837 27
Amount overdrawn, February 1, 1908 . . .	1,115 20
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	\$2,452 47

**CONTINUOUS SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.**

Expenditures, Mar. 19, 1907 to February

1, 1908 . . . . .	\$2,452 47
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Due from sundry parties . . . . .	\$692 85
Expended on public work . . . . .	227 49
Stone on hand . . . . .	90 00
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	\$1,010 34

**EXPENDITURES.**

Boston & Maine Railroad, freight . . . . .	\$85 38
Eastman & Bradford, engineering . . . . .	98 50
Getchell, A. E., teaming . . . . .	80 00
McLaughlin, J. H., concrete . . . . .	1,086 25
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	556 33
Rockport Granite Co., stone . . . . .	546 01
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	\$2,452 47

**Boiler at Stone Crusher.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$900 00
Overdraft . . . . .	10 70
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	\$910 70

**EXPENDITURES.**

Delano, Gilbert, building . . . . .	\$170 00
Perrin, Seamans & Co., boiler and grates, . . . . .	675 75
Shea & Donnelly, teaming . . . . .	18 00
Trefethen, F. L., labor and material . . . . .	46 95
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	\$910 70

## Road Machine.

Appropriation	.....	Supplies . . . . .	<u>\$300 00</u>
Expenditures	.....		\$250 00
Balance unexpended	.....		50 00

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			\$300 00
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### EXPENDITURES.

Black, A. B., road machine . . . . .	\$235 30
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight . . . . .	14 70
	<u>\$250 00</u>

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## Fire Alarm Bell.

Appropriation	.....	<u>\$875 00</u>
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### EXPENDITURES.

Gamewell Fire Alarm Co., bell and striker,	<u>\$875 00</u>
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## Fire Hose.

Appropriation . . . . .	<u>\$300 00</u>
Expenditures . . . . .	4 69 44
Balance unexpended . . . . .	30 56
	<u>\$300 00</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

C. C. C. Hose Co., hose . . . . .	\$267 50
Shephard, W. E., freight and express . . . . .	1 94
	<u>\$269 44</u>

## Fire Horses.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Receipts . . . . .	250 00
	<u>\$650 00</u>
Expenditures . . . . .	\$600 00
Balance unexpended . . . . .	50 00
	<u>\$650 00</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Boston & Maine Railroad, freight . . . . .	\$6 00
Hurlbut, B., pair bay horses . . . . .	594 00
	<u>\$600 00</u>

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**Fire Alarm Boxes.**

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	\$150 00
Expenditures	.	.	.	.	\$143 50
Balance unexpended	.	.	.	.	6 50
					\$150 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

Gamewell Fire Alarm Co., 2 boxes and wire,	\$143 50
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**Pine Street Building.**

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	\$75 00
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**EXPENDITURES.**

Post 118, G. A. R., appropriation as voted	.	.	.	.	\$75 00
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**Orient Street Sea Wall.**

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	\$50 00
Expenditures	.	.	.	.	\$40 00
Balance unexpended	.	.	.	.	10 00
					\$50 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

Lyons, James T., pointing wall as per estimate	.	.	.	.	\$40 00
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**Monument Avenue.**

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
Overdraft	.	.	.	.	.	28
						<hr/> \$1,000 28 <hr/>

**EXPENDITURES.**

McDonough, M., crushed stone	.	.	.	\$704 03
Pay rolls, labor	.	.	.	296 25
				<hr/> \$1,000 28 <hr/>

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**Jessie Street.**

Appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$400 00
Overdraft	.	.	.	.	.	7 11
						<hr/> \$407 11 <hr/>

**EXPENDITURES.**

Breed, M. A., gravel	.	.	.	.	\$15 60
Eastman & Bradford, surveys	.	.	.	.	27 50
Pay rolls, labor	.	.	.	.	364 01
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## Burrill Street.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$800 00
Overdraft . . . . .	67 76
	<hr/> <u>\$867 76</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Eastman & Bradford, surveys . . . . .	\$35 00
Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	832 76
	<hr/> <u>\$867 76</u>

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## Snow Department.

Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$377 50
Overdraft, Mar. 18, 1907 . . . . .	1,073 50
Appropriation, March 19, 1907—Mar.	
16, 1908 . . . . .	1,000 00

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Expenditures, Feb. 1, 1907—Mar. 18,	
1907 . . . . .	\$1,451 00
Expenditures, Mar. 19, 1907—Feb. 1,	
1908 . . . . .	43 35

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Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	956 65
	<hr/> <u>\$2,451 00</u>

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### EXPENDITURES.

Dunn & Mackenzie, repairs on snow	
prow . . . . .	\$11 00
North, John R. repairs on snow plow . . .	5 35
Pay rolls, services . . . . .	1,478 00
	<hr/> <u>\$1,494 35</u>

## Moth Work.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$5,218 55
Receipts to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	4,528 15
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Overdraft, Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$2,084 22
Expended, Feb. 1, 1907—Mar. 18, 1907, . . . . .	393 45
Expended, Mar. 19, 1907—Feb. 1, 1908, . . . . .	6,285 89
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	983 14
	<hr/> <hr/> \$9,746 70

### EXPENDITURES.

#### SUPERVISION.

Newhall, George, superintendent . . . . .	\$654 00
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#### PAY ROLLS.

Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	\$5,276 82
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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Bowker Insecticide Co., arsenic of lead . . . . .	\$33 00
Breck & Sons, Joseph, grindstones . . . . .	7 50
Cabot, Samuel, creosote . . . . .	45 36
Collins Hardware Co., supplies . . . . .	240 23
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	4 55
Hilton & Sons, expressing . . . . .	2 50
Hutchinson, W. Henry, supplies . . . . .	89 43
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . . . . .	2 80
Lunt, Moss & Co., supplies . . . . .	38 03
Newhall, George, stamps and envelopes, . . . . .	10 00
Quinn, Martin L., creosote . . . . .	3 00
Standard Oil Co., oil . . . . .	18 98
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$495 38

## MOTH WORK DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$495 38
Stoddard, Haserick & Richards, burlap,	64 69
Thum, O. & W. Co., tanglefoot . . .	168 75
Titus & Buckley, supplies . . . .	6 25
Widger, J. H. & J. M., expressing . .	13 45
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	\$748 52
Supervision . . . . .	\$654 00
Pay rolls . . . . .	5,276 82
Miscellaneous . . . . .	748 52
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	\$6,679 34

NOTE.—Amount collected by the Collector of Taxes as assessments, \$1,150.30, reverts to Town Treasurer.

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## Redington Street Improvement.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Expenditures . . . . .	\$395 75
Unexpended balance . . . . .	4 25
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	\$400 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Pay rolls, labor . . . . .	\$395 75
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## Cemetery Improvement.

Appropriation	.	.	.	\$500 00
Expenditures	.	.	.	\$468 08
Unexpended balance	.	.	.	31 92
				<u>\$500 00</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Eastman & Bradford, grades.	.	.	\$10 00
Humphrey, Clarence B., plans	.	.	210 00
Lyons, James T., blasting	.	.	248 08
			<u>\$468 08</u>

## Assessors.

Appropriation	.	.	.	\$1,300 00
Expenditures Feb. 1, 1908	.	.	.	\$1,202 81
Unexpended Feb. 1, 1908	.	.	.	97 19
				<u>\$1,300 00</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

Bartlett, Nathaniel F., services	.	.	\$30 00
Delano, Gilbert, expense and repairs	.	.	40 90
Delano, Gilbert, assessor	.	.	200 00
Eastman & Bradford, revising maps	.	.	100 00
Evans & Cole, teams	.	.	15 50
Item Press, printing	.	.	3 00
Mattson, Ellinor I., services	.	.	5 00
			<u>\$394 40</u>
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			

**ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$394 40
Maxfield, E. A., stationery and expense,	8 00
Maxfield, E. A., chairman and secretary,	435 00
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co., rental . . .	17 21
Poor, Oscar G., expense . . . .	3 00
Poor, Oscar G., assessor . . . .	185 00
Porter, Frank V., services . . . .	70 00
Review and Record Co., subscription .	5 00
Stott, Lilla D., services . . . .	42 45
Whitten, Frank S., printing . . . .	42 75
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	\$1,202 81
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**Ambulance Department.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00
Overdraft . . . . .	7 80
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	\$207 80
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**EXPENDITURES.**

Evans & Cole, care and calls . . . .	\$174 00
North, John R., varnishing and repairs,	28 50
Simpson, James & Co., insurance . .	5 30
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	\$207 80
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## Engine House Repairs.

Appropriation, Mar. 18, 1907 to Mar.

16, 1908 . . . . .	<u>\$300 00</u>
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Expenditures, February 1, 1908 . . . . . \$162 05

Balance unexpended, February 1, 1908 . . . . . 137 95

<u>\$300 00</u>	
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### EXPENDITURES.

Doane, George H., carpenter work . . . . .	\$35 85
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . . . . .	15 83
Jenkins, A. H., labor and material . . . . .	38 46
Quinn, Martin L., labor and material . . . . .	65 61
Sawyer, E. S., painting . . . . .	<u>6 30</u>
	<u>\$162 05</u>

## Water Department.

Balance Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . . \$3,515 50

Receipts to Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . . 34,698 09

<u>\$38,213 59</u>	
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Expenditures . . . . . \$30,527 80

Interest on Water Bonds . . . . . 4,777 50

Balance Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . . 2,908 29

<u>38,213 59</u>	
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## WATER DEPARTMENT.

## CONSTRUCTION.

Boston & Maine R. R., freight . . .	\$15 00
Bourneuf, Louis & Co., pipe . . .	1,379 80
Bushby, C. F., Lead . . . . .	238 26
Burgess, Charles V., plans and specifications . . . . .	50 00
Chapman Valve Co., valves . . . .	54 54
Collins Hardware Co., supplies . . . .	68 08
Coffin Valve Co., valves . . . .	288 35
Delory, W. A., labor and material . .	72 34
Dunn & Mackenzie, labor and material .	42 60
Eage Iron Foundry, castings . . . .	47 51
Eastman & Bradford, engineering . .	37 50
Eddy Valve Co., valves . . . .	155 00
Edson Manufacturing Co., supplies . .	3 80
Evans & Cole, teams . . . .	32 62
Fairbanks Co., supplies . . . .	70 50
Getchell, A. E., teaming . . . .	12 50
Hays Manufacturing Co., curb boxes . .	143 02
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . .	20 91
Houdlette, Fred A. & Son, pipe . .	4,474 00
Howe, Oliver R., supplies . . . .	25 04
Hudson, Levi, contract and labor . .	1,356 19
Hutchinson Lumber Co., lumber . . .	40 50
Lyons, James T., trench work . . . .	371 87
McDonough, M., teaming . . . .	66 50
Pay roll, services . . . . .	158 10
Perrin, Seamans & Co., supplies . .	19 48
Pool, H. F., tank . . . . .	16 00
Priest, Page & Co., scale . . . .	47 84
Roberts, E. B., teaming . . . .	22 50
Roby, W. G. & Co., lead . . . .	132 64
Smith, A. P Mfg. Co., lead and boxes .	772 00
Smith Iron Foundry, castings . . . .	18 39

*Amount carried forward,*

\$10,253 38

## WATER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$10,253 38</i>
Sumner & Gerald, supplies . . .	239 17
Tuttle, H. Scott, trench work . . .	472 14
Union Meter Co., disks . . .	5 40
Wilson, H. J., charcoal . . .	43 15
Worthington, Henry R., meters . . .	3,033 65
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	<i>\$14,046 89</i>
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## MAINTENANCE.

Bourneuf, Louis & Co., fittings . . .	\$1 02
Bates, William H., commissioner . . .	200 00
Bauer, R. S., stationery . . .	10 00
Collins Hardware Co., sundries . . .	1 35
Edgerly I. Irving, commissioner . . .	200 00
Getchell, A. E., hay . . .	22 42
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., sundries . . .	12 85
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . .	23 50
Hunt, Henry Co., grain . . .	37 79
Kehoe, Samuel M., commissioner . . .	200 00
Libby, J. W., clerk . . .	249 00
Met. Water Board, contract . . .	4,800 00
Newhall, George, stable rent . . .	14 40
Otis, William H., insurance . . .	10 00
Owens, J. G., repairs . . .	10 75
Paul, Henry C., insurance . . .	3 78
Pay rolls, services . . .	6,632 91
Salem, City of, taxes . . .	14 24
Stratton, Frank B., care horse . . .	220 60
Sumner & Gerald, sundries . . .	3 36
Water Commissioners, sinking fund . . .	2,860 00
Worthington, Henry R., supplies . . .	19 13
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	<i>\$15,547 10</i>
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## WATER DEPARTMENT.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Boston & Maine Railroad, freight . . . . .	\$20 16
Butman & Son, supplies . . . . .	30 00
Collins Hardware Co., sundries . . . . .	1 20
Dunn & Mackenzie, repairs . . . . .	9 25
Getchell, A. E., teaming . . . . .	18 90
Holden, George H. & Co., sundries . . . . .	22 55
Jackson, Lambert, books . . . . .	24 00
King, George F. & Co., stationery . . . . .	5 40
Knowlton, D. F., lock . . . . .	3 00
Lowd, H. M., professional services . . . . .	20 00
Marino, Felix, team . . . . .	13 50
McDonough, M., crushed stone . . . . .	19 66
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . . . . .	31 43
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . . . .	16 00
Niles, William H., services . . . . .	290 00
Otis, William H., insurance . . . . .	12 00
Owens, J. G., sharpening tools . . . . .	117 12
Police Department, services . . . . .	8 75
Pollard, K., expenses . . . . .	139 95
Porter, M. D., bond insurance . . . . .	45 00
Roberts, E. B., express . . . . .	2 50
Security Bank, box rent . . . . .	5 00
Standard Oil Co., oil . . . . .	13 50
Sumner & Gerald, sundries . . . . .	39 84
Whittredge, W. C. & Co., cement . . . . .	3 45
Widger's Express Co., expressing . . . . .	21 65
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	\$933 81
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Construction . . . . .	\$14,046 89
Maintenance . . . . .	15,547 10
Miscellaneous . . . . .	933 81
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	\$30,527 80
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## WATER DEPARTMENT.

Total expenditures . . . . .	\$30,527 80
Interest on Water Bonds . . . . .	4,777 50
Balance Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	2,908 29
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	\$38,213 59

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## Water Receipts.

DR.

Water billing to Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	\$25,313 03
Bills outstanding as per report 1906 . . . . .	333 99
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	\$25,647 02

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Cash received . . . . .	\$24,948 55
Shut offs . . . . .	219 51
Rebates . . . . .	413 01
Uncollected . . . . .	65 75
Currency on hand . . . . .	20
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	\$25,647 02

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## Sewer Department.

Balance Feb. 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$6,579 79
Receipts to Feb., 1907 . . . . .	9,112 34
	<u>\$15,692 13</u>

Sewer orders paid . . . . .	\$8,814 76
Balance Feb. 1, 1908 . . . . .	6,335 72
Outstanding orders . . . . .	541 65
	<u>\$15,692 13</u>

### SALARIES.

Bunting, Aaron R., commissioner . . . . .	\$200 00
Bunting Aaron R., superintendent . . . . .	260 00
Curtis, Edward H., commissioner . . . . .	200 00
Sprague, Henry B., commissioner . . . . .	200 00
Sprague, Henry B., commissioner five years, 1901-6 . . . . .	1,000 00
Till, George T., clerk . . . . .	240 00
	<u>\$2,100 00</u>

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies . . . . .	\$40 74
Bunting, Aaron R., expense . . . . .	2 57
Burgess, Charles V., plans and specifica- tions . . . . .	15 00
Curtis, Edw. H., supplies . . . . .	6 70
Doane, George H., carpenter work . . . . .	1 60
Eastman, E. S., repairs . . . . .	1 00
Embree, W. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	20 88
Evans & Cole, teams . . . . .	35 75
Fay, W. L. & Co., repairs . . . . .	6 22

*Amount carried forward,*

*\$130 46*

## SEWER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$130 46
Gardner, Peleg, carpenter work . . . . .	7 05
Harding, Jos. W. & Co., supplies . . . . .	5 50
Hastings & Sons, advertising . . . . .	3 00
Hayden & Co., supplies . . . . .	9 80
Hill, Welch & Co., supplies . . . . .	2 40
Holden, George H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	8 07
Howe, Oliver R., supplies . . . . .	4 00
Hudson, Levi, carpenter work . . . . .	240 00
Hutchinson, Lumber Co., lumber . . . . .	12 35
Hutchinson, W. H., supplies . . . . .	2 00
Jones, Melvin N. expense . . . . .	6 94
Jordan, Marsh & Co., supplies . . . . .	5 00
Kezer, L. F., painting . . . . .	3 10
Lynn Evening News, advertisement . . . . .	3 00
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., lights and cement . . . . .	95 00
Lynn Granolithic Co., labor and material, Lyons, James T., contracts and connections . . . . .	8 75
McDonough, M., balance contract . . . . .	2,141 62
McLaughlin, J. H., concrete . . . . .	100 00
Moss, Whyte Co., supplies . . . . .	18 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., rental . . . . .	25 25
News Publishing Co., advertisement . . . . .	37 97
Nichols, Thomas P. & Sons, printing . . . . .	3 30
Nichols, Thomas P. & Sons, printing . . . . .	35 75
Niles, William H., professional services, Pay rolls, services . . . . .	135 00
Perrin, Seamans & Co., supplies . . . . .	2,273 64
Perry & Searle Co., printing . . . . .	121 00
Philbrick & Pope, plumbing and supplies, Phillips, Charles C., sundries . . . . .	8 25
Rowell, C. G., mason work . . . . .	64 08
Shephard, W. E., teaming . . . . .	70
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$4,954 95
	\$5,608 68

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## SEWER DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$5,608 68
Smith Iron Foundry, castings . . . . .	3 75
Sprague & Breed Coal Co., fuel . . . . .	471 66
Stevens, C. C., lumber . . . . .	3 00
Till, George T., telephone and expense, . . . . .	6 80
Walworth, Mfg. Co., supplies . . . . .	9 20
Warren Steam Pump Co, supplies . . . . .	9 78
Water Department, rental and supplies, . . . . .	514 99
Whittredge, W. C. & Co., cement and sand . . . . .	19 39
Widger's Express Co., express . . . . .	9 15
Worthington, E. engineering . . . . .	600 01
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	\$7,256 41
Salaries . . . . .	\$2,100 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	7,256 41
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	\$9,356 41

## Interest.

## APPROPRIATION

Notes payable (interest) . . . . .	\$6,500 00
Sewer bonds . . . . .	7,500 00
Amount overdraft . . . . .	435 61
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	\$14,435 61

## EXPENDITURES.

Notes payable . . . . .	\$7,648 36
Sewer bonds . . . . .	6,787 25
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	\$14,435 61

## **Phillips School Medal Fund.**

**On deposit in Lynn Five Cents Savings**

Bank	.	.	.	.	.	\$725 53
Interest	.	.	.	.	.	27 45
Dividend	.	.	.	.	.	15 04
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						\$768 02

On deposit in Lynn Institution for

Savings . . . . .	\$744 30
Interest and dividend . . . . .	36 49
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	\$780 79
Paid for medals . . . . .	50 00
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	730 79

Lynn Five Cents Savings Bank . . . \$768 02

Lynn Institution for Savings . . . . 73° 79

\$1,498 81

## **Joanna Morse Fund.**

**Amount on deposit Lynn Institution for**

Savings . . . . .	\$5,196 00
Interest and dividend . . . . .	185 74
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	\$5,381 74

## RECAPITULATION.

Product Sew. Outstanding Ord.  
Product Selectmen's Outs. Ord.

Dr.            Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer, in Account Current with Town of Swampscott.            Cr.

Sewer Department.	Water Department.	General Department.	General Department.	Water Department.	Sewer Department.
\$6,579 79	\$3,515 50	\$3,366 86	Balances in Treasury, January 31, 1907		
4,980 00			Appropriation, Sewer Maintenance		
		349 90	Cemetery Department, Receipts		
			Com. of Mass., Metropolitan Parks,		
			Loan Sinking Fund	609 31	
			Interest on above	2,099 95	
			Cost of Maintenance	1,464 77	
			Loan Sinking Fund, No. 2	116 22	
			Interest on above	366 44	
			Cost of Maintenance	208 62	
			Nastasket Cost of Maintenance	76 35	
			Continuous Sidewalks, Receipts		
			Corporation Tax		
			County Tax	10,209 90	
			Curbstones, Receipts		
			Fire Department, Receipts		
			Highway Department, Receipts		
			Health Department, Receipts		
			Interest on Deposits		
			Interest on Sewer and Water Bonds		
			Interest on Notes		
			Library Department, Receipts		
			Military Aid, Receipts		
			Miscellaneous Receipts		
			Moth Work, Receipts		
			National Bank Tax		
19 89	276 15	4,528 15		6,787 25	\$4,777 50
		2,046 32		7,648 36	

250 00	New Horse Department, Receipts			
	Notes Paid			
335 26	Park Department, Receipts			
	Particular Sewer Assessments			
20,000 00	Permanent Improvement Loans			
695 20	Police Department, Receipts			
131 00	Poor Department, Receipts			
	Rents			
371 50				
369 47	Selectmen's Department, Receipts			
	Selectmen's Orders, 1906-1907			
	Selectmen's Orders, 1907-1908			
43 96	School Department, Receipts			
	Sewer Assessments			
122 00	Sewer Bonds, Paid			
	Soldiers Relief, Receipts			
	State Highway, repairs			
	State Tax			
2,926 00	State Aid, Receipts			
862 42	Street Railway, Tax			
68 00	Street Watering, Receipts			
716 45	Taxes, 1905-1906			
6,511 12	Taxes, 1906-1907			
131,398 08	Taxes, 1907-1908			
75,100 00	Temporary Loans			
308 00	Town Hall Department, Receipts			
	Water Bonds			
	Water Receipts			
	Balances in Treasury, January 31, 1908			
<u>\$15,692 13</u>	<u>\$38,213 59</u>	<u>\$269,111 13</u>	<u>11,070 65</u>	<u>2,908 29</u>
				<u>6,877 37</u>
			<u>\$269,111 13</u>	<u>\$38,213 59</u>
				<u>\$15,692 13</u>

**George T. Till, Collector of Taxes in Account with  
Town of Swampscott.**

1905.

DR.

Balance uncollected, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$724 80
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CR.

Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer, Feb. 1 to Mar. 1, 1907 . . .	\$647 99
Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer after Mar. 1, 1907 . . .	68 46
Abatements by Assessors . . .	8 35

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\$724 80
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1906.

DR.

Balance uncollected, Feb. 1, 1907 . . .	\$7,167 59
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CR.

Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer, Feb. 1 to Mar. 1, 1907 . . .	\$4,349 87
Cash paid Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer after Mar. 1, 1907 . . .	2,161 25
Abatements by Assessors . . .	250 42
Uncollected taxes (to be advertised or otherwise collected) . . .	406 05

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\$7,167 59
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**George T. Till, Collector of Taxes in Account with  
Town of Swampscott**

1907.

DR.

To amount committed for collection, as  
per assessors' warrants:

County tax . . . . .	\$10,209 90
State tax . . . . .	14,936 16
Town tax . . . . .	112,883 25
Supplementary list . . . . .	69 65
Moth assessment . . . . .	1,230 50
Sidewalk assessment . . . . .	407 70
Drain assessment . . . . .	383 32
Excise tax . . . . .	823 50
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	\$140,943 98

CR.

Cash paid Benj. O. Honors, Treasurer, taxes . . . . .	\$129,922 17
Cash paid Benj. O. Honors, Treasurer, moth assessment . . . . .	1,150 30
Cash paid Benj. O. Honors, Treasurer, sidewalk assessments . . . . .	325 61
Abatements, taxes . . . . .	2,545 91
Abatements, sidewalk assessments, (error) . . . . .	3 87
Discount 2 per cent. taxes paid on or before Oct. 1, 1907 . . . . .	2,142 55
Excise tax . . . . .	823 50
Uncollected drain assessment . . . . .	383 32
Uncollected sidewalk assessment . . . . .	78 22
Uncollected moth assessment . . . . .	80 20
Uncollected taxes . . . . .	3,488 33
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	\$140,943 98

## Sewer Department Assessments.

### DR.

Frontage and area assessments, balance	
March 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$3,414 97
New assessments . . . . .	4,612 57
Interest collected . . . . .	92 55
	\$8,120 09

### CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer . . . . .	\$3,098 60
Balance to be collected . . . . .	5,021 49
	\$8,120 09

### DR.

Particular sewer and Drain assessments,	
balance March 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$530 65
New assessments . . . . .	1,440 88
Interest collected . . . . .	18 93
	\$1,990 46

### CR.

Cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer . . . . .	\$920 78
Balance to be collected . . . . .	1,069 68
	\$1,990 46

**Town Debt.**

Notes payable . . . . .	\$176,420 00
Sewer bonds . . . . .	186,000 00
Water bonds . . . . .	148,000 00
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	<u>\$510,420 00</u>
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Outstanding sewer orders . . . . .	\$541 65
Outstanding Selectmen's orders . . . . .	257 09
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	<u>\$798 74</u>
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## Notes Payable.

No.	Date of Note.	To whom payable.	Amount	Class.	Time in Yrs.	Rate.	When payable.
113	May 22, 1899	Col. Nat. Bank	\$2,500 00	A	9	3 50-100	May 22, 1908
115	Aug. 5, 1899	Com. of Mass.	2,800 00	B	9	3 15-100	Aug. 5, 1908
116	Nov. 29, 1899	Com. of Mass.	3,000 00	C	9	3 50-100	Nov. 29, 1908
117	Nov. 29, 1899	Com. of Mass.	3,000 00	C	10	3 50-100	Nov. 29, 1909
120	June 30, 1900	Com. of Mass.	4,300 00	C	10	3 17-100	June 30, 1910
126	Sept. 9, 1901	Com. of Mass.	6,000 00	C	8	3 30-100	Sept. 9, 1909
129	May 19, 1902	Com. of Mass.	3,570 00	C	8	3 25-100	May 19, 1910
130	May 19, 1902	Com. of Mass.	7,500 00	C	9	3 25-100	May 19, 1911
136	Nov. 29, 1902	Col. Nat. Bank	3,100 00	C	10	3 40-100	Nov. 29, 1912
1-2	July 1, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	2,000 00	C	8	4	July 1, 1911
3-8	July 1, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	6,000 00	C	9	4	July 1, 1912
9-18	July 1, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	10,000 00	C	10	4	July 1, 1913
139	Aug. 24, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	C	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
140	Aug. 24, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	C	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
141	Aug. 24, 1903	Col. Nat. Bank	1,000 00	C	7	4	Aug. 24, 1910
146	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	6,500 00	D	20	3 60-100	May 25, 1924
147	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	3,450 00	C	8	3 75-100	May 25, 1912
148	May 25, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	14,000 00	C	10	3 75-100	May 25, 1914
149	Nov. 5, 1904	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,300 00	E	4	3 75-100	Nov. 5, 1908
152	May 22, 1905	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,500 00	C	3	3 50-100	May 22, 1908
153	May 22, 1905	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	1,000 00	C	4	3 50-100	May 22, 1909
154	May 22, 1905	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	11,000 00	C	10	3 50-100	May 22, 1915
155	May 22, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	10	3 50-100	May 22, 1915
156	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	11	3 50-100	July 15, 1918
157	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	12	3 50-100	July 15, 1917
158	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	13	3 50-100	July 15, 1918
159	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	14	3 50-100	July 15, 1919
160	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	15	3 50-100	July 15, 1920
161	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	16	3 50-100	July 15, 1921
162	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	17	3 50-100	July 15, 1922
163	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	18	3 50-100	July 15, 1923
164	July 15, 1905	Com. of Mass.	3,300 00	F	19	3 50-100	July 15, 1924
165	June 19, 1905	Lynn Inst. Sav'gs	2,800 00	G	11	3 50 100	June 19, 1916
171	Nov. 19, 1906	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	3	4	Nov. 19, 1909
172	Nov. 19, 1906	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	7	4	Nov. 19, 1913
173	Nov. 19, 1906	Com. of Mass.	12,000 00	C	10	4	Nov. 19, 1916
177	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	1	4	June 7, 1908
178	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	2	4	June 7, 1909
179	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	3	4	June 7, 1910
180	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	4	4	June 7, 1911
181	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	5	4	June 7, 1912
182	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	6	4	June 7, 1913
183	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	7	4	June 7, 1914
184	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	8	4	June 7, 1915
185	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	1,000 00	C	9	4	June 7, 1916
186	June 7, 1907	Com. of Mass.	11,000 00	C	10	4	June 7, 1917
	Jan. 17, 1908	Temp. Loan 3 mo.	11,100 00				
			176,420 00				

A. Park Loan.

B. Sewer Loan.

C. Permanent Improvement Loan.

D. Playground Loan

E. Marshall Drain Loan.

F. School House Loan.

G. Morris Land Loan.

## Sewer Bonds.

Series A.	\$120,000 at 3½ per cent.	Paid \$15,000
Series B.	4,000 at 3½ per cent.	Paid 500
Series C.	40,000 at 3½ per cent.	Paid 5,000
Series D.	20,000 at 3½ per cent.	Paid 2,500
Series F.	13,000 at 4 per cent.	
Series G.	12,000 at 4 per cent.	
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	\$209,000	\$23,000
Paid	23,000	
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Outstanding	<u>\$186,000</u>	
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## LIABILITIES.

### NOTES PAYABLE.

Due in 1908 . . . . .		\$23,200 00
Due in 1909 . . . . .		12,000 00
Due in 1910 . . . . .		11,870 00
Due in 1911 . . . . .		10,500 00
Due in 1912 . . . . .		13,550 00
Due in 1913 . . . . .		12,000 00
Due in 1914 . . . . .		15,000 00
Due in 1915 . . . . .		15,300 00
Due in 1916 . . . . .		19,100 00
Due in 1917 . . . . .		14,300 00
Due in 1918 . . . . .		3,300 00
Due in 1919 . . . . .		3,300 00
Due in 1920 . . . . .		3,300 00
Due in 1921 . . . . .		3,300 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$160,020 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	
Due in 1922 . . . . .	\$160,020 00
Due in 1923 . . . . .	3,300 00
Due in 1924 . . . . .	3,300 00
	9,800 00
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Due on Sewer Bonds . . . . .	\$176,420 00
Due on Water Bonds . . . . .	186,000 00
	148,000 00
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	\$510,420 00
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Outstanding Sewer Orders . . . . .	\$541 65
Outstanding Selectmen's Orders . . . . .	257 09
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	\$798 74
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**Statistics of the  
Town of Swampscott, 1870-1908.**

ASSESSORS' VALUATION MAY 1.

MARCH 1.

YEAR.	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL VALUATION	RATE TAXES PER \$1,000	YEAR.	NOTES PAYABLE
1907	\$7,099,090	\$2,317,468	\$9,317,468	\$14.50	1908	\$176,420.00
1906	6,303,625	2,093,820	8,397,445	14.50	1907	167,320.00
1905	6,030,185	2,117,442	8,147,627	14.50	1906	151,320.00
1904	5,489,121	2,206,172	7,695,293	12.90	1905	110,020.00
1903	5,135,124	4,286,981	6,422,105	11.50	1904	114,770.00
1902	4,762,665	1,744,874	6,507,539	12.00	1903	75,270.00
1901	4,668,985	1,598,745	6,267,730	12.00	1902	70,600.00
1900	4,446,900	1,138,275	5,585,175	11.00	1901	68,100.00
1899	4,200,175	1,199,045	5,399,220	11.50	1900	64,300.00
1898	4,135,582	1,318,591	5,454,173	14.00	1899	59,000.00
1897	3,997,975	1,304,163	5,302,138	12.00	1898	71,000.00
1896	3,896,059	1,245,245	5,141,304	12.00	1897	78,250.00
1895	3,756,900	1,444,947	5,201,847	12.00	1896	84,500.00
1894	3,619,525	1,529,675	5,149,200	11.00	1895	66,333.30
1893	3,439,975	1,649,953	5,989,928	11.00	1894	71,166.66
1892	3,271,279	1,504,170	4,775,449	10.00	1893	37,499.99
1891	3,122,350	1,771,373	4,893,723	10.00	1892	42,333.32
1890	3,001,550	1,857,777	4,859,327	10.00	1891	48,666.66
1889	2,585,431	1,453,301	4,038,732	8.40	1890	52,500.00
1888	2,465,256	1,501,530	3,966,792	8.50	1889	56,000.00
1887	2,417,556	1,288,498	3,706,054	8.00	1888	57,500.00
1886	2,383,055	1,275,405	3,658,460	9.50	1887	55,500.00
1885	2,365,280	1,130,863	3,496,143	9.00	1886	47,500.00
1884	2,371,610	1,135,215	3,506,825	11.00	1885	49,000.00
1883	2,259,855	1,589,566	3,849,411	8.50	1884	50,500.00
1882	2,228,330	1,264,938	3,493,268	6.00	1883	49,000.00
1881	2,121,080	807,159	2,928,239	7.20	1882	30,500.00
1880	1,991,880	1,133,247	3,125,127	7.00	1881	31,750.00
1879	1,930,205	418,904	2,349,109	8.30	1880	39,424.80
1878	2,049,980	384,841	2,434,821	8.00	1879	42,424.00
1877	2,041,935	340,323	2,382,258	8.50	1878	42,424.80
1876	2,108,462	360,961	2,469,423	12.00	1877	45,524.80
1875	2,074,850	389,441	2,464,291	10.00	1876	50,224.80
1874	2,028,875	457,260	2,486,135	11.00	1875	51,432.80
1873	1,949,225	460,867	2,410,792	12.00	1874	50,342.50
1872	1,854,750	578,000	2,432,750	9.50	1873	47,068.00
1871	1,598,800	504,073	2,102,873	9.50	1872	43,150.00
1870	1,332,570	508,564	1,843,134	10.00	1871	38,745.00

**Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Swampscott,  
May 1, 1907.**

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TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY AND TAXES AS  
ASSESSED MAY 1, 1907.

Number of residents assessed on property . . . . .	945
Number of firms, corporations, etc. . . . .	23
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	968
Number of non-residents assessed on property . . . . .	297
Number of non-residents, firms, corporations, etc., . . . . .	16
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	313
Number of persons assessed on property . . . . .	1,281
Number of persons assessed poll tax only . . . . .	1,023
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	2,304
Number of male polls assessed . . . . .	1,463
Tax on each poll . . . . .	\$2.00
Value of assessed personal estate, . . . . .	\$2,218,378 00
Buildings, excluding land, . . . . .	\$3,813,125 00
Land, excluding buildings, . . . . .	3,285,965 00
Total value of assessed estate . . . . .	— \$7,099,090 00
Total valuation of assessed estate	—
May 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$9,317,468 00
Tax for state, county and city or town purposes, including over- laying —	
On personal estate . . . . .	\$32,166 48
On real estate . . . . .	102,936 83
On polls . . . . .	2,926 00
Total . . . . .	— \$138,029 31
Rate of total tax per \$1,000 . . . . .	\$14 50
Number of horses assessed . . . . .	324
Number of cows assessed . . . . .	54
Number of neat cattle other than cows . . . . .	1
Number of dwelling houses . . . . .	1,233
Number of acres of land assessed . . . . .	1,675

## Auditors' Remarks.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

By adoption of the new By-Laws of the Town a considerable portion of the detail work of the Auditors has been transferred to the Town Accountant. By referring to his report one can readily find facts and figures formerly contained in the Auditors' report. This being the first year of the new system of accounting, it is too early to express an opinion of the advantages derived from the change.

Respectfully submitted,

STUART P. ELLIS,  
HARRY E. CAHOON,  
NATHANIEL F. BARTLETT,

*Board of Auditors.*

## Town Warrant, 1908.

ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,*

*GREETING:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday the sixteenth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for one (1) year.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.

To choose one Member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

To choose one Member of the School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one Member of the board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.

To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.

- To choose one Member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.
- To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.
- To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.
- To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Water Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Sewer Commissioner for three (3) years.
- To choose a Tree Warden for the year ensuing.
- All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

ART. 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Accountant, the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Water Commissioners, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc.; the Park Commissioners, the Sewer Commissioners, the Tree Warden, the Board of Assessors, the Overseers of the Poor, the Committee on Ways and Means, and the Committee on Combination Engine House and Police Station.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors, as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 9. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R., toward defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take in determining how money shall be raised to pay for permanent improvements.

ART. 13. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Water Commissioners the present year.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five members, to bring in a list of salaries for Town Officials for the ensuing year.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to erect two school buildings of two rooms each in the lower section of the Town, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by H. K. Glidden and others.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$150 for sports for the children on July 4, as petitioned for by Alfred F. Frazier and others.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to place Concrete and Curbstones on Redington street in front of the School house, and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by H. K. Glidden and others.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will appropriate \$200 for Town fences, as recommended by the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will accept Devens road as far as the waivers are signed, as petitioned for by William B. Phillips and others.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$100 to be placed in the hands of Gen. James L. Bates, Post 118, G. A. R. for the purpose of heating and lighting the headquarters of the Post, as petitioned for by John R. Merritt, and others.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to extend the Sewer System from Hillside avenue, through Elliott and Crescent streets to Buena Vista street and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by George C. Webster, and others.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to extend the Sewer System from Hillside avenue to Crescent street, through Elliott street, and make an appropriation for the same, as petitioned for by C. W. Butterworth and others.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to take moneys from funds now in the hands of the Sewer Commissioners, and continue the sewer from Thomas road to and through Sheridan road, as petitioned for by Grant S. Hilton and others.

ART. 24. To see what action the Town will take in regard to constructing concrete sidewalks from a point opposite the property of Alden Sleeper on Monument avenue to the end of the

present concrete sidewalk on Grant road at land of Charles W. Tucker, and assessing one-half of the expense on the abutters, and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by Alfred W. Smith and others.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be expended in the completion of grading Essex street, as petitioned for by Martin E. Nies and others.

ART. 26. To see what action the Town will take toward granting a Saturday half holiday with pay, from April 1 to October 1, to employees of the Highway, Water and Moth Departments as petitioned for by Joseph P. Mather and others.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to reimburse the Sewer Department the sum of \$1,000 in accordance with the report of the Finance Committee at the meeting of June 25, 1907 as requested by the Sewer Commissioners.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer in conjunction with the Board of Water Commissioners to issue \$2,000 in water bonds under the Act of 1898, the proceeds of such issue to be used toward defraying the expense of metering the remainder of the Town, as petitioned for by William H. Bates and others.

ART. 29. To see what action the Town will take in locating two incandescent lights under the Railroad bridge over Stetson avenue, one over each sidewalk, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Julius A. Ulman and others.

ART. 30. To appoint a Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with Chapter V, Section 1, of the revised By-Laws.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$4,700 as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths.

The polls to be closed at sunset.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and eight.

ARTHUR C. WIDGER,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,  
FRED C. MARSH,

*Selectmen of Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*









